



## BTEC Applied Law Year 12

**Overview—Law** gives students an understanding of the role of Law in today's society and raises their awareness of the rights and responsibilities of individuals. By learning about legal rules and how and why they apply to real life, students also develop their analytical ability, decision making, critical thinking and problem-solving skills. All these skills are highly sought after by higher education and employers.

Headlands School follows the Pearsons BTEC level 3 extended certificate syllabus. A two year course, with two essay assignments and two 2hour exams.

**Assessment** — Unit 2 is completed first, with a coursework internal essay(s) to complete. This is graded from Pass, Merit or Distinction.

Unit 1 in the spring and summer term will be preparing for an external exam marked by the exam board.

Lots of opportunities will also be provided to improve study skills, revision technique and for honing legal skills and referencing in preparation for future education and career progression.

There will also be opportunities to participate in a court visit and speak to people working in the criminal justice system.

**Unit 1 – Dispute Solving in Civil Law** You will study basic principles of Civil law including the law of negligence, damages, contributory negligence and some aspects of the civil court system including Funding, types of legal representation, judicial precedent and alternative dispute resolution.

**Unit 2 – Criminal Law and the Legal System** You will study the basic principles of criminal law including the non-fatal offences and sentencing and some aspects of the legal system including; Juries, Magistrates, the judiciary, statutory interpretation, Parliamentary Law making, European Union.