### Year 11 information

**AQA GCSE Media Studies**

Year 11 students will be preparing for the Media exam having in the previous year, completed their controlled assessment modules.

**Written Paper**
- 1 hour 30 mins
- 60 marks
- 40%

**External Assessment**
- Based on pre-released topic (current year is ‘Game Shows’) with guidance and stimulus.
- Four tasks to complete in the exam.

**Synopsis of the course for the school website**

Over the two years, GCSE Media Studies gives students the chance to develop a critical understanding of the role of the media in daily life. It encourages an understanding of how to use key media concepts to analyse media products and the opportunity for hands-on practical work.

**Changes proposed for 2017-2018 if known**

A new specification will be introduced in 2017 (first examination 2019); details to be confirmed.

### Year 10 information

**AQA Media Studies**

Year 10 students will take a year to complete three assessments worth 90 marks and 60% of the course.

**Three Assignments to include:**
- Introductory assignment
- Cross-media Assignment
- Practical Production and Evaluation

**Synopsis of the course for the school website**

The two-year course combines practical and theoretical knowledge – particularly the value of pre-production work and production skills.

Year 10 students will have the opportunity to be creative in areas that interest them like film, magazines and advertising: for example they will create produce four pages of a magazine in an area that interests them. They will also analyse and understand things that they might otherwise have taken for granted, such as movie trailers and posters.

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