The BTEC Animal Care course is 75% coursework and 25% exam. Students complete the coursework in the order below. Depending on when they join JPC, some students may be ahead or behind the scheduled topics.

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| **Topic** | **Focus** |
| Unit 2: Animal Handling  Learning Aim A: Understand safe handling and restraint techniques | A.1 Risk assessments and accident reporting procedures  A.2 Appropriate personal protective equipment (PPE)  A.3 Reasons for handling and restraining animals  A.4 Reasons not to handle animals |
| Unit 4: Animal Housing and Accommodation  Learning Aim A: Understand how to select animal accommodation | A.1 Factors which affect the selection of animal accommodation  A.2 Types of animal accommodation |
| Unit 4: Animal Housing and Accommodation  Learning Aim B: Prepare and maintain animal accommodation | B.1 Preparing animal accommodation  B.2 Carrying out safety checks  **Trip to West Wirral Riding Centre** |
| Unit 4: Animal Housing and Accommodation  Learning Aim C: Be able to clean out animal accommodation | C.1 Cleaning animal accommodation and disposing of waste |
| Unit 2: Animal Handling  Learning Aim B: Demonstrate safe handling and restraint techniques used with animals | B.1 Correct handling and restraint of animals  **Trip to Tam O Shanter Farm**  **Dog handling visit to JPC** |
| Unit 2: Animal Handling  Learning Aim B: Demonstrate safe handling and restraint techniques used with animals | B.2 Selecting and using appropriate handling and restraint equipment  B.3 Reasons for maintaining and cleaning equipment for handling and restraining animals |
| Unit 3: Animal Welfare  Learning Aim A: Understanding the different roles of animals and animal-related organisations in society | A.1 Roles of animals in society  A.2 Animal-related organisations |
| Unit 3: Animal Welfare  Learning Aim B: Understand animal welfare and legislation | B.1 Animal welfare  B.2 Know current animal welfare legislation that apply in the UK and their purposes |
| Unit 3: Animal Welfare  Learning Aim C: Understand the responsibilities involved in caring for animals | C.1 What are the responsibilities involved in caring for animals? |

Students start preparation for the exam in the Autumn term of Yr11, and sit the external exam in Jan/Feb of Yr11. The content covered in the exam is listed below.

**Unit 1: Animal Health**

Learning Aim A: Understand the essential signs of good health in animals.

A.1 Monitoring signs of good and ill health

A.2 Quantitative checks

Learning Aim B: Understand common diseases, their causes, transmission and treatment.

B.1 Animal Diseases and modes of transmission

B.2 Symptoms, treatments and prevention of common diseases in animals

Learning Aim C: Understand the signs, symptoms, prevention and treatment of common parasites

C.1 Ectoparasites, their symptoms, prevention and treatment

C.2 C.1 Endoparasites, their symptoms, prevention and treatment