# VTCT Level 2 Certificate in Hairdressing and Beauty Therapy (VRQ)

#### What will I learn?

Our GCSE uses a variety of units so you can develop a good understanding of the Hair and Beauty industry. You will learn about careers, treatments, the skin and hair and the products we use in retail salons. You will also begin to develop skills on research techniques, following instructions, salon etiquette, whilst working on your literacy and ICT skills.

#### What do I need to know before I can start the course?

You do not need to have any specific knowledge before starting this course, but you will need to have an interest in the Hair and Beauty industry. You need to consider your commitment to this course, as it involves three pieces of coursework and an exam so the majority of weighting is in written work.

#### What does the course involve?

We will use a variety of learning techniques, so that you develop a good understanding of all of the units. It has 3 coursework units and 1 exam unit.

Please be aware that the course does not involve any practical treatments, this course is purely exam and coursework based.

We will complete some practical lessons, with basic treatments being taught, such as manicures, nail art, hair styling and makeup application; however, these are an addition, rather than being part of the actual GCSE course you are studying.

## What can I do after the course? What careers will this course be useful for?

The course will give you a strong basis for any hair, beauty, spa, makeup, barbering or nail NVQ/Apprenticeship when you complete your further study at college and will be useful for all careers within the industry. It will provide a good basis for a career in a salon, as a freelancer and if you want to start your own business.

### Who can I talk to for more information?

Miss Bryant

#### What websites can I check out?

<u>www.vtct.org.uk</u> – This is the exam board and the course is AM20530 <u>www.habia.org</u> – Sets the standards within the Hair and Beauty industry.