



Art & Design

(GCSE)



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Why study Art & Design?

This is a course offering exciting possibilities for students with various artistic interests and builds upon existing skills. Art and Design has the capabilities of stimulating student's creativity and imagination. It empowers students to make informed, valued judgements as well as aesthetic and practical decisions, making them confident visual communicators. It allows students to express themselves and communicate what they think, feel and see. It is also an enjoyable activity and GCSE is excellent preparation for A Level Art.



What key knowledge, concepts and skills will I learn?

You will Investigate Art work by contemporary and traditional artists and work from other cultures. You will develop a range of 2D and 3D core practical skills in media such as drawing, painting, printmaking, textiles, mixed media, sculpture and digital media/photography. Perceptual and critical thinking skills will also be used to complete a series of theme based projects. You will be able to express your own ideas and opinions, culminating in personal, final outcomes. Finally, there may be opportunities to be involved in a number of extra- curricular activities such as practical workshops, gallery visits, competitions and a weekend residential trip.

What attitudes and qualities are required to do well?

If you enjoy and have a real passion for the subject, then GCSE Art and Design is for you. You will need good communication, presentation, and analytical skills, have an enquiring mind, and are keen to succeed. Independent Learning is an important feature as is keeping to deadlines. The course requires commitment and self-motivation as there is an emphasis on a commitment to improvement.

How will I be assessed?

60% Coursework Personal Portfolio Years 9, 10 & 11

40% Practical Examination Year 11

There is no written examination paper.

What other subjects link into this course?

History, ICT, English, 3D Design, Drama, Creative Digital Media.

What career options are open to me?

The Creative industries are one of the biggest growing sectors in Britain and Art provides you with a range of skills employers are looking for. It can lead to career opportunities in a wide range of occupations including Teacher, Architect, Theatre and Costume Designer, Photographer, Make-Up Artist, Curator, Fashion and Textile designer, Illustrator, Computer Graphic Artist, Jewellery designer, Sculptor, Printmaker to name a few.

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Examination board website: www.eduqas.co.uk

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