

Overview of Year 11 Art and Design Curriculum

All pupils will be entered for the AQA GCSE Art & Design course.

Pupils will produce a portfolio of coursework which will involve a range of Art & Design media and processes. They will work to a variety of briefs and will be expected to develop a personal style which will enable them to produce their own briefs based on what they have learned and taking personal interests as starting points. They will also develop artwork through looking at the work of other artists/designers and other cultures - western and non-western.

Homework

Homework will be produced on a half-termly basis and is in the form of a project usually divided into weekly tasks. Pupils will be expected to take coursework home to complete and also to research and collect information.

Examinations/Key assessments

Each coursework and homework will be assessed internally. The preparatory studies/research are taken into consideration alongside the final piece.

External

In Year 11 pupils will submit their most successful coursework which will be internally marked and externally moderated. This will account for 60% of the final GCSE grade. A 10 hour test (with 4 week preparation time) makes up the rest of the final grade (40%).

How Parents can help

- Ensure that your son is equipped. Pencil, ruler, rubber, fine line pen are essential.
- An A4 sketch pad for homework and a folder for taking home coursework will ensure that your son's work will stay together and not get damaged in transit.
- Ensure that all homework is completed to a good standard.
- Encourage visits to galleries, libraries, internet sites in order to develop a further interest in Art & Design.
- Encourage your son to attend after-school sessions.