

Overview of Year 8 Art and Design Curriculum

Pupils study Art and Design for one single 1-hour lesson per week.

There are six units of work - two in each term.

1. Landscape - Working outside/sketching - Artists: Monet and Impressionists
2. Colour theory - Warm/cool colours, Artist: Mondrian
3. Still life - Drawing and painting everyday objects, Artists: Caulfield, Cezanne, Hockney
4. Looking at another culture - Work based on Aztec/Mayan, Ancient Egypt, China, Islam
5. Poster design - Issues based, lettering/layout, environment/anti-bullying
6. Group work - Design and produce a board game

Homework

Pupils are given printed homework projects divided into sections to be produced each week. Projects are designed to be a continuation of work in the current unit and are accessible to pupils of all levels of ability.

Examinations/Key assessments

Pupils are assessed at the end of each unit and will have an end of year test.

How Parents can help

- Ensure that pupils arrive to lessons equipped ESSENTIAL - pencil, ruler, eraser, sharpener DESIRABLE - felt pens, coloured pencils, paintbrushes
- Ensure that all homework projects are completed and handed in on time
- Encourage pupils to visit galleries, exhibitions and cultural events
- Encourage creative pastimes by having art/craft materials and books in the home