

Year 11 Art & Design

	Autumn 1	Autumn 2	Spring 1	Spring 2	Summer 1	Summer 2
Topics	Developing ideas Exploring mixed-media techniques	Realising intentions Reviewing and refining all coursework	Externally Set Assignment commences Students select and begin direction of final project	Developing ideas Exploring media Planning the final outcome	Exam takes place directly after Easter break	N/A
Assessment	2 sketchbook submissions	PPE - 10HR controlled test	2 Sketchbook submissions	2 Sketchbook submissions	Final 10 HR controlled test and submission of preparatory sketchbook studies	

Building on Prior Learning	Y11 sees the culmination of all skills developed over the 4 year curriculum. Students are encouraged to creatively combine previously taught techniques when developing and presenting their final project.
Links with other subjects	English - written analysis of the work of the other artists as well as clear written explanations of personal work developed is inherent throughout the three GCSE projects. History - Understanding the context which historical artists have worked in requires research of various periods and events.
Extracurricular opportunities	The Art rooms are available for extension work or catch-up most lunchtimes. After school classes kick in during the Autumn term and continue up until the final controlled test. Various cultural and artistic visits are offered intermittently.
A successful learner in this subject will demonstrate	An eagerness to research, develop and direct their own Art projects. A positive attitude to independent study. Good organisational skills. A creative and enquiring mind. Strong technical ability.
Impact on personal development	Art encourages students to think creatively and innovatively. The skills they learn are tools which allow them to express their ideas and emotions visually. Art is a creative outlet which can bring pleasure, calm, a sense of achievement and be enjoyed throughout life.

Ways to support student learning in this subject



Take the time to discuss your child's artwork with them. It is an important element of our overall Art curriculum for students to be able to develop and communicate their own ideas, having other people of all ages and experiences to bounce ideas off is a great way to brainstorm.

Having some basic art materials at home to complete homework is a real benefit, (though we will always provide some materials if this is difficult). Creating a work-space is very helpful too, this might be just a drawing board that can slide away under the bed. Collecting interesting papers and materials is also useful

Encourage your child to observe the world around them taking photographs on days out and on holiday. Expensive cameras are not a necessity, some great images can be captured on mobile phones.

Encourage your child to keep personal sketchbooks or create digital pin-boards (Pinterest is an excellent resource) to help widen their visual knowledge.

Visit exhibitions or museums and if you get Sunday supplements try to follow current developments in the Arts.

Make sure they keep up to date with their homework and discuss the written feedback they are provided with.