

ART - Printmaking and Photography

GCSE

INTRODUCTION

This is a new course following the Edexcel Art, Craft and Design specialism. The focus will be on drawing, printmaking and photography. Students are also required to produce work relating to that of artists whose work they will research. All the work completed in lessons and homework is coursework and starts in Year 10.

WHAT WILL I LEARN?

In Year 10 students will develop observational skills and learn different processes and techniques for printmaking and photography. This work will form the basis of the coursework and enable them to develop final outcomes.

Year 11 there is a timed test at the end of the course this is similar to the Fine Art GCSE course. The exam paper provides a theme that students respond to and prepare for in lessons and homework.

HOW WILL I BE ASSESSED?

- Students will produce a portfolio of work throughout Year 10 and 11 in response to different themes such as still life, architecture or portraits.
- Preparation for the timed test which will include drawings, test pieces, experimentation and research.
- A ten hour timed test piece based on the ideas developed in the preparation. The exhibition is marked internally by the Art Department then moderated by the Exam Board.

60% of the final grade is from coursework

40% of the final grade is from the preparation and 10 hour timed test piece



FUTURE OPPORTUNITIES

This is a very hands-on course and ideal for those who want to explore a range of media. It is ideal for those prepared to put in hard work and, in addition to learning many practical skills, students will gain an insight into industrial practice. Upon completing the GCSE, students may further their education in Art into careers in fashion design, graphic design, film and video, fine art, textile design, etc.

PLEASE NOTE THAT STUDENTS WISHING TO OPT FOR THIS COURSE WILL HAVE TO COMPLETE A PROJECT AND ATTEND TASTER SESSIONS.

FURTHER INFORMATION

Please contact Ms Saunders, Head of Art.