

Exam Board: AQA

### Course Overview

You want to choose this subject if you are creative, have developed good art skills at high school and are prepared to work hard and enjoy producing Art at GCSE level.

We base the course on drawing as the foundation on which to develop a variety of ideas. We offer a general art course in which all students will cover the following major areas of study: Drawing and painting, sculpture and mixed media including use of ICT and analytical skills through literacy.

### Course Breakdown

You will be expected to complete a portfolio of work that covers a number of individual projects.

In each project you will be assigned a series of tasks and problems to be carried out in a set sequence. The sequence is as follows:

- Develop ideas through research and analyse other artists work, cultures and genres.
- Develop, plan and explore ideas and use materials, techniques and processes.
- Record ideas, preparatory studies from observations and relevant insights.
- Select and present a personal response as a final outcome by the deadline date.

### Assessment

#### Internal

Students are monitored regularly through one-to-one during lesson times.

Verbal and written feedback is given regularly and documented in relation to the assessment criteria.

Interim assessments - Students evaluate their own and others' work / Checklists are provided to assist with the monitoring progress throughout each project / Homework is set on a weekly basis.

#### External

Assessment is through the portfolio of work - coursework (60%) and an externally set task (40%) in year 11.

### Coursework Requirements

You want to choose this subject if you are creative, self-motivated, dedicated and have developed good art skills at High School. You must be prepared to work hard, deliver good quality work, meet deadlines and enjoy producing Art at GCSE level.

### Qualities needed for success in the course:

You should have an interest in creating and understanding Art and be determined to develop that interest further.

### Possible paths in Post 16:

Fine Art (AS & A2)  
Graphic Design (AS & A2)  
Photography (AS & A2)  
Textiles (AS & A2)  
3D Art (AS & A2)

