

Art and Design

All classes in KS3 will have one hour of Art each week throughout the year. Classes are no larger than 22 students. All students work within an Art Journal. Home study tasks support classwork enormously and is the norm. Accommodation is within the "Art Block". Students work within two large Art Studios.

Through KS3 students will be able to develop your Personal Skills in Art.

Confidence building, improved presentation, critical understanding, Individual and group work, Numeracy, Literacy and ICT will be used to support personal creativity and promote improved success rates, a sense of achievement and enjoyment of this subject and beyond.

What will I study in year 7?

You learn the formal elements, skills and techniques used by artists to achieve greater success. From a baseline assessment you will be challenged through drawing and painting using: graphite, pen and ink, chalk and pastel, and coloured pencils, tempera, watercolours and acrylic paints, to explore and create works of art. This will be based on contemporary and cultural references. The main aim is to develop your skills and understanding methods and "good practice", when controlling the media.

What will I study in year 8?

The theme throughout the year for completing work is figurative. We will cover the key artists both past and present who have contributed to the development of Art. You will also review and engage in a higher level of proficiency and skill in the use of mixed media, research and understanding.

What will I study in year 9?

Between September and Christmas you will create a body of work based on a GCSE question. This will provide a clear evidence on which to base an informed decision to opt for GCSE Art and Design in KS4. Teachers and parents will also be involved in supporting your decision.

GCSE Art and Design.

We have had great success using the GCSE Edexcel Art and Design Examination Board. On average 50 candidates opt for this subject with outstanding resulting and value added gained.

The results have been outstanding for a number of years with a 100% achieving grade C or above in 2017 and 2018, 35% of pupils achieved A* in 2017 and 38% achieved 7+ in 2018.

Showcasing Art Work

Pupils work is displayed throughout the school and we also host exhibitions in school and in the local community with an ongoing project within a local dementia unit is to be completed within the next year.



