

Art and Design

This GCSE in Art & Design is a broad course which will give you the opportunity to experiment with a range of disciplines such as painting and drawing; printmaking; photography and digital media such as Photoshop; sculpture; illustration and textiles. You will be encouraged to take creative risks and develop skills as an independent learner and a critical and reflective thinker.

You will be taken on visits to local and national galleries and there may be the opportunity for a residential visit.

Aims:

- Develop creative, imaginative and intuitive capabilities when exploring and making images, artefacts and products.
- Become confident in taking risks and learn from experience when exploring and experimenting with ideas, processes, media, materials and techniques.
- Develop critical understanding through investigative, analytical, experimental, practical, technical and expressive skills.
- Develop and refine ideas and proposals, personal outcomes or solutions with increasing independence.
- Acquire and develop technical skills through working with a broad range of media, materials, techniques, processes and technologies with purpose and intent.
- Develop knowledge and understanding of art, craft and design in historical and contemporary contexts, societies and cultures.
- Develop an awareness of the different roles and individual work practices evident in the production of art, craft and design in the creative and cultural industries.
- Develop an awareness of the purposes, intentions and functions of art, craft and design in a variety of contexts and as appropriate to students' own work.
- Demonstrate safe working practices in art, craft and design.

How will I be assessed?

Art and Design Portfolio

You will produce a portfolio of work in response to given starting points. **This coursework element forms 60% of the total exam** and may comprise a variety of outcomes including sketchbooks, mounted sheets and final outcomes.

Externally Set Assignment in Art and Design

You will undertake investigations and development, with **approximately 20 hours of informal supervision** leading to a **final 10-hour sustained focus**, conducted under formal supervision. **The externally set assignment accounts for 40% of the final qualification.**

Further Information

A selection of art media such as drawing pencils and paints for use at home, a sketchbook and an A1 size portfolio will be needed. (Sketchbooks and portfolios are available through school at a cost £5.50 for sketchbooks and £0.50 portfolio).

Exam Board: Eduqas <https://www.eduqas.co.uk/qualifications/art-and-design/gcse/>