

Art and Design

A drawing, painting, printmaking and clay course.

Students will have the opportunity to produce paintings, clay work and drawings. They will also be able to investigate printmaking and mixed media outcomes.



AQA GCSE in Art and Design is comprised of two units:

Component 1

Students will be expected to complete a portfolio of work that is made up from sketchbook work and larger pieces.

One project will need to be completed during Year 10. Throughout the year students will draw, paint, collage or print and will use clay, paper mache or sculpture. Past examples are arrangements of food and drink or organic/mechanic.

The assessment objectives for Art and Design are:

- Develop ideas by looking at artists' work
- Experiment with ideas and materials
- Record ideas from the world around you
- Create personal responses.

During Component 1, students will be expected to:

- Investigate their ideas and use thinking skills to come up with imaginative solutions
- Record their ideas through writing their thoughts and discoveries
- Analyse artists' work
- Take photographs
- Draw from looking at 'real life' objects
- Experience a variety of media.

Component 2

This examination unit consists of nine weeks of development work in a sketchbook and a ten hour timed test that takes place over two days to create a personal response. The theme is set by the examination board and it is an 'open' theme so that students can develop their own ideas and work in their own style. The theme usually involves a few starting points for students to choose from, such as 'arrangements, fragments or disguise'.

Skills

Drawing, painting, sculpture, installation, clay and printmaking