

PHOTOGRAPHY - GCSE

What qualification does this course lead to?

Examination level: GCSE Grades 1 - 9

Coursework: 60% of Final Grade

Students will build a Portfolio of work over the 2 years through two themed projects. They will be encouraged to include work which reflects their best achievement with a variety of practice and experience.

Exam: 40% of Final Grade

This will be an opportunity for students to choose from a variety of starting points set by the exam board. They will receive several weeks of preparation time leading to a 10 hour exam, in which they will produce their final response to their starting point.

What topics will I study?

Through investigations into practising and traditional photographers, students will follow themed projects such as close-ups, portraiture, natural forms and viewpoints. Students are encouraged to become independent and confident in their decision making. Students will mainly work digitally using specialist software to develop their IT and photography skills.

How will I learn/how will I be taught?

Students will be taught in mixed ability groups where we will encourage highly skilful and individual work. An in depth knowledge of photographic processes, contemporary and traditional techniques and an ability to make your own informed decisions will be developed over the two years. Students will be required to continue their work in their own time through homework and personal study.

How will I be assessed?

Coursework is worth 60% and the Exam is worth 40% of the final grade. This is marked by the staff in the Art department and then moderated by AQA. The exam is a set of themes that will set by the exam board.

What can this course lead on to?

Here at Carr Hill Sixth Form we offer a Level 3 diploma and Art & design including photography.

Careers/Further Education

Creative careers include Architecture, Interior Design, Fashion designer, Photography, Window Dressing/ Design, Fine Artist, Graphic Design, Illustration, Teaching and many more.

Who do I need to contact for more information?

It is very important that you speak to your current Art teacher about your suitability for this course.

Miss V Wignall
Mrs J Wild
Mrs R Williams
Miss J Beatson

