


SUBJECT: ART

Year Group	Year 8		
Rationale	Students explore, experiment and develop the skills needed to understand the visual world around them. It is our intention that students do this without fear of failure. Units are varied and based around key media or concepts that we believe the students need in order to develop their ability to express themselves through visual language. We also encourage students to review relevant artists in order to help them to be able to question, critique, describe and subvert their world. Only Art can do this honestly.		
	<i>Pupils will rotate through the media in different orders based on their teacher</i>		
Media/ Concept	Autumn Term	Spring Term	Summer Term
	<i>Clay</i>	<i>Drawing and the formal elements</i>	<i>Colour application and mixed media</i>
	Projects will vary but will be based around themes such as:-		
	Sculpture Abstract Islamic art Surreal settings	The human heart Observational drawing Fabric Pattern and symmetry	Portraits Psychedelic art Heraldry Identity
Knowledge	Understand that 3D vessels can be created from sheets of clay known as slabs. Appreciate that the balance of moisture in a clay slab is important as it needs to be soft enough to work with whilst firm enough to hold its shape.	Students will investigate a set theme and produce early designs that lead towards a final outcome They will review the use of line and application of tone and texture to create drawings with greater levels of realism. Understand how to link their work to the work of artists or makers.	Students will investigate a set theme and produce early designs that lead towards a final outcome. Further review the formal elements of colour and art in order to develop art with effective rendering and colour application.
Skills	Explore the source theme and produce design work that leads towards their clay design. Develop their ability to combine sections of clay using the scoring, slip and blending method. Learn how to roll a slab of clay and cut it into the relevant shape. Begin to develop their clay relief skills by scratching or carving into the surface.	They will explore how to combine various elements in order to create original ideas Students will investigate a set theme and produce early designs that lead towards a final outcome They will review the use of line and application of tone and texture to create drawings with greater levels of realism.	Students will investigate a set theme and produce early designs that lead towards a final outcome Some segments of the project will include elements of observational drawing that will again link to the formal elements Students will develop their ability to mix and apply paint, collage and other relevant materials. Produce a final outcome that links all elements into a cohesive outcome.
Assess-ments	Students will be assessed on how structurally sound their vessel is on completion They will also be assessed on how smooth and crisp the sides and edges of their slab vessel or sculpture are. The quality of the design that lead to this sculpture will be assessed based on the formal elements. Their structure will also be marked based on how creative and original the design or surface decoration are.	The design work that leads to the final outcome will be assessed on creativity and technical skill The final outcome will be assessed on its links to the artist's work as well as creativity and technical skill.	Students will investigate a set theme and produce early designs that lead towards a final outcome The design work and outcome will be assessed partly based on the use of the selected media. The final outcome will be assessed on its links to the artist's work as well as creativity and technical skill.