

SUBJECT: ART

| Year Group | Year 8 | | | |
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| 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. | | | |
| | Pupils will rotate through the media in different orders based on their teacher | | | |
| | Autumn Term | Spring Term | Summer Term | |
| Media/ | Clay | Drawing and the formal elements | Colour application and mixed media | |
| Concept | Projects will vary but will be based around themes such as:- | | | |
| | Sculpture | The human heart | Portraits | |
| | Abstract | Observational drawing | Psychedelic art | |
| | Islamic art | Fabric | Heraldry | |
| | Surreal settings | Pattern and symmetry | Identity | |
| Knowledge | Understand that 3D vessels can be | Students will investigate a set theme | Students will investigate a set theme and | |
| | created from sheets of clay known as slabs. | and produce early designs that lead towards a final outcome | produce early designs that lead towards a final outcome. | |
| | 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 | They will review the use of line and application of tone and texture to create drawings with greater levels of realism. | Further review the formal elements of colour and art in order to develop art with effective rendering and colour application. | |
| | shape. | Understand how to link their work to the work of artists or makers. | | |
| Skills | Explore the source theme and produce design work that leads towards their clay design. | 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 | |
| | Develop their ability to combine sections of clay using the scoring, slip and blending method. | 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 | |
| | Learn how to roll a slab of clay and cut it into the relevant shape. | They will review the use of line and application of tone and texture to create drawings with greater levels of realism. | Students will develop their ability to mix and apply paint, collage and other relevant | |
| | Begin to develop their clay relief skills by scratching or carving into the surface. | | 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 | The design work that leads to the final outcome will be assessed on creativity and technical skill | Students will investigate a set theme and produce early designs that lead towards a final outcome | |
| | They will also be assessed on how smooth and crisp the sides and edges of their slab vessel or sculpture are. | The final outcome will be assessed on its links to the artist's work as well as creativity and technical skill. | The design work and outcome will be assessed partly based on the use of the selected media. | |
| | The quality of the design that lead to this sculpture will be assessed based on the formal elements. | | The final outcome will be assessed on its links to the artist's work as well as creativity and technical skill. | |
| | Their structure will also be marked based on how creative and original the design or surface decoration are. | | | |

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| Homework | Artist and information research, | Artist based personal study project | Artist based personal study project. |
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| Homework | Artist and information research, including printed images in some projects. Completion of class-based tasks/drawings where appropriate. | This project lasts a term and has six stages: 1. Research artist and print/draw images of their work as well as give opinions. 2. Detailed tonally coloured copy of the artist's work. 3. Research images of a student selected theme. 4. Create a new image that combines the student theme with the work of the artist. | This project lasts a term and has six stages: 1. Research artist and print/draw images of their work as well as give opinions. 2. Detailed tonally coloured copy of the artist's work. 3. Research images of a student selected theme. 4. Create a new image that combines the student theme with the work of the artist. |
| | | Creatively assemble all work onto a poster, booklet or other format. Personalise poster or booklet with sketches or decorative elements linked to the theme or artist. This ties to the four GCSE assessment objectives and mirrors the structure of the GCSE Sketchbooks. | 5. Creatively assemble all work onto a poster, booklet or other format. 6. Personalise poster or booklet with sketches or decorative elements linked to the theme or artist. This ties to the four GCSE assessment objectives and mirrors the structure of the GCSE Sketchbooks. |