

KS4 Overview – Art

During Years 10 and 11, students will develop their understanding of art through practical exploration, creative experimentation and critical analysis. They will work across a range of media, including drawing, painting, printmaking, ceramics and mixed media, developing the knowledge and technical skills needed to communicate personal ideas visually.

Through the study of artists, craftspeople and designers, students will learn to investigate, experiment, refine and evaluate their work, becoming increasingly independent and confident creative practitioners. We want students to enjoy Art whilst developing the creativity, resilience and critical thinking needed to produce ambitious outcomes, achieve success at GCSE and prepare for further study and careers within the creative industries.

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the structure might vary slightly depending on the group

Year	Term 1	Term 2	Term 3	Term 4	Term 5	Term 6
10	Introduction to GCSE Art Natural Forms project. Introduction to the AQA Assessment Objectives.	Develop observational drawing skills using graphite, acrylic paint and photography.	Explore printmaking, artist analysis and ceramics. Develop ideas through experimentation .	Develop and refine a final ceramics outcome inspired by artists and personal research.	Complete and refine the ceramics outcome.	Complete and present the ceramics outcome.
11	Begin a Mock Project (approx. 10 weeks). Choose a theme from a selection and begin developing ideas.	Complete preparatory studies and produce a final outcome during a 5-hour mock examination. Complete and hand in all coursework.	Begin the Externally Set Assignment (ESA) released by AQA in January (approximately 12 weeks).	Develop ideas in response to the chosen ESA theme through research, experimentation and refinement.	Produce a final outcome during the 10-hour examination.	