

Introduction:

The Art Department offers a welcoming atmosphere where pupils can explore their own ideas and personality as well as satisfy the requirements of the course. We aim that all students develop creatively, independently and individually through a challenging range of drawing, painting and mixed media projects. They are given a balanced programme of art and design activities and are introduced to the work of artists, designers and craftsman, learning to use these influences to develop and inform their own practical work.

Pupils in Year 9 have two 40 minute periods per week.

Content:

A variety of briefs will be given during the course.

They will fall into the following areas:

- Observational study, looking at form, volume, light and shadow using a variety of media.
- Interpretative study Movement
- Portraits understanding the structure of the face.

Skills:

The skills to be assessed during the course are:

- Investigating and making
- Knowledge and understanding

Homework:

There is continual assessment of all skills.

Digital usage in this subject:

In Key Stage 3, students use iPads are used for investigation of artists work.

Work tasks and images are uploaded onto Google Class.

Students use iPads for photography tasks. They learn about composition and technical language.

KM and PR use iPads and Apple Pencil to draw and project demonstrations of skills and techniques.

Average time spent each homework:

45 minutes per week.

Resources and Materials:

Individual Equipment:

- Coloured pencils, black biro or pilot pen, eraser, 2B pencil, ruler.
- The Art Department has a well-stocked, continually updated library of books and videos. Digital imagery is a resource used extensively in all aspects of the course.