

Art KS4 Learning Journey



Top 3 tips for parents and carers during KS4

- ✓ 1. Encourage your child to explore their own identity, what kinds of art, graphics or photography inspires them? Do they want to convey a message or aspect of their personality? Students are required to make their final outcomes personal and often students can struggle to develop their own ideas. 2. www.pinterest.com is a fantastic resource for art and design inspiration. 3. Encourage your child to visit a local gallery, to observe the way in which professional artists, designers and photographers showcase their work. Bolton Museum and Bury Art Museum have a wide range of styles to explore.
- ✓ 1. Encourage your child to take photographs of objects, people and places linking to their theme. These photographs will gain them marks and give them primary sources to work from further. 2. Visiting galleries, both physically and virtually will help broaden your child's understanding of the work of others. 3. Drawing is a skill that can be refined, regular practise will enable your child to develop their confidence.



What's your Plan A?

Employment opportunities in the arts include: advertising and marketing, architecture, crafts, design, fashion, film, TV, video, and photography, publishing, museums, galleries and libraries, music, performing and visual arts.



Online learning during KS4

All courses have a variety of resources, videos demonstrations and examples from class teachers and students available on google classroom.



PPE preparation for KS4

At key stage 4 students will be required to look at the work of others, analyse their use of materials and technique and then recreate their own work using this gained knowledge. This same process is required in Fine Art, Graphic Communication and Photography.



Study skills for KS4

Investing time into the refinement of skills is required for Fine Art, Graphic Communication and Photography. Either by hand in Fine Art, Digitally using software like Photoshop or Procreate and through a camera lens in Photography. There are 4 main assessment objectives at GCSE level. AO1 - looking at the work of others. AO2- experimenting and refining ideas. AO3 - observation, this can be photos, drawings and written annotation. AO4 - personal outcomes. All four of these objectives have equal value and students will be guided to ensure they are fully explored within each coursework piece.

Knowledge, skills and understanding

Year 10

At GCSE level your child will opt to study either, Fine Art, Graphic Communication or Photography. Each of these three subjects is taught to the AQA specification and as such sees students working to the AQA assessment objectives. These objectives will be explored in a variety of ways ensuring that your child receives a well rounded understanding of Art and Design and is equipped to achieve outcomes that fulfils exam board requirements.

Year 11

By the time your child reaches year 11 they will have had the opportunity to explore a variety of materials, techniques and processes. Building their skills and ideas. Students at this stage will be encouraged to demonstrate greater independence, preparing themselves for their externally set assignment starting in January. This assignment is set by AQA and gives the students an opportunity to select their own starting point. All students will be given support and guidance from their class teacher before embarking on this next step of the course.