Subject: Art

Head of Faculty: Mrs Cordwell

GCSE

Exam Board:
AQA

Course Description

GCSE Art & Design (Unendorsed) General description / Suitability: Unendorsed means a general art course covering a variety of different art experiences. Students must produce course work in at least 2 –3 different areas of art. Usually these are Drawing, Painting and other 2D work (Fine Art Area), Graphic Design, and Sculpture/ 3D work.

This non-specialised course will suit students of all abilities.

Course Structure: Students will produce course work throughout Y10 and Y 11. The minimum amount of work is 2 assignments and the maximum is 4 assignments. Students usually aim to complete 3. A vital part of the course is the work students do in their assignment sketchbooks to support the finished art work. These have to be well presented and well kept. Students will also be expected to study a wide range of art works by different artists and makers from different times and places and cultures. This research is very important as it will influence the practical work.

Assessment

Unit 1 **Portfolio of work** 80 marks

Controlled Assessment – set and marked by centre and moderated by AQA.

Candidate portfolio selected from work undertaken during course of study and must include **more** than one project.

Coursework 60% of final mark

Unit 2 **Externally set task** 80 marks

Question papers issued from 1 January.
Marked by centre and moderated by AQA.

Unlimited preparation time.
10 hours of sustained focused study.
Candidates respond to their chosen starting point.

Easter Exam 40% of final mark

Subject Teachers
Miss Coyle (Head of Art)
Mrs Stevenson

Higher Education Courses/Careers
Sixth Form: GCE , Diploma, Foundation Certificate in a wide range of disciplines.

Art can be studied with a wide variety of other subjects at university.

Art GCSE allows pupils to access a multitude of careers opportunities ranging from Artist to Teacher of Art, set designer, fashion designer and so on.

Recent Results

2014	27% A*-C
2013	50% A*-C

**All qualifications are subject to change following publication of Key Stage 4 National Curriculum*