

Welcome to



# Creative Arts

**ART, CRAFT  
& Design**

**PHOTOGRAPHY**

**3D Design**

Your Creative Arts course is a practical subject where you explore ideas, develop skills and create personal work across Art, Photography or 3D Design.

There is no single “right answer” – success comes from experimenting, learning from mistakes and developing ideas over time.

This booklet outlines what to expect, the standards required and how to make the most of the course.

I look forward to seeing what you create.

**Mr Alton**  
Head of Creative Arts

*New student GCSE Guide Booklet*

# What to expect in the course

- Explore techniques & skills, other artists work and your own ideas
- Push your expectations
- Create outcomes
- Talk about your work
- Produce outcomes based on your personal ideas

## ART, CRAFT Design



- Wide variety of different resources
- Painting, Printmaking, Sculpture & Photography

## PHOTOGRAPHY



- Manipulate a camera to capture and edit creative imagery
- Presentation skills to exhibit your outcomes

## 3D Design



- Explore 3D Craft using a variety of different tools to create surface, shape and form
- Utilise Clay, Plaster, Cardboard and other 3D Crafting materials

# What do we expect from you

Independent study is essential in Creative Arts, as coursework develops over time through experimentation, reflection and improvement.

Students who commit to working consistently, learning from mistakes and developing their work beyond lessons will achieve the strongest outcomes – taking sketchbooks home, research gathering and resources.

Initial Workshops	Micro Project	Component One	Externally Set Assignment	
Upskill in Drawing, Painting, Printmaking & Sculpture	Go through a miniature full project in one term based around You	Worth 60%  Sustained project that explores your themes and interests	Worth 40%  Project theme given by the exam board	10 Hour Controlled Assessment to create a final piece for your project
Upskill in using a DSLR camera system, Composition, Lighting and Digital Editing	Go through a miniature full project in one term based around the theme of capturing a Moment in Time			
Upskill in drawing, clay, plaster and cardboard modelling techniques	Go through a miniature full project in one term based around the theme of connections			

Creative Arts rewards effort, reliance and curiosity

# Parents - How can you support your child in Creative Arts?

## Ask Questions

Our highest performing students are highly invested in the development of their course work.

By asking questions and taking an active interest in your child's work, they will naturally open up and continue to thrive.

## Engage

Our subject relies on clearly refined coursework. This takes time. The more students can engage with their projects outside of the classroom the easier their journey will be.

Encourage your child to actively work on their coursework outside of lesson.

## Share in Culture

Take your child to galleries, shows, and cultural locations to gather first hand resources, photographs or draw items that are more personal to them and their interests to add to their projects

## Encourage

A lot of Creative endeavours will end in unsuccessful outcomes; moral support throughout will help your child to realise that this is a large part of the creative process.

*Try, Fail, Review, Develop*

## Support with recommended resources

- A3 sketchbook
- Pencils, pens and eraser
- Basic art materials (e.g. paints, brushes, glue)

For Photography: a smartphone or camera with editing access

Specialist student packs are available from Specialist Crafts and can be selected to suit different needs and budgets:

<https://www.specialistcrafts.co.uk/student-packs>

We appreciate that purchasing materials can be costly; all items listed are optional and intended to support, not replace, school provision.

We look forward to supporting your child as they develop skills, confidence and creative independence.

**Creative Arts Team**