

# OPTIONS COURSE

**ART & DESIGN**

**ACCREDITING AUTHORITY | AQA**

**QUALIFICATION**

GCSE

**FACULTY**

**ART, DESIGN & TECHNOLOGY**

**STAFF CONTACT**

Mr Burgoyne

## **WHAT QUALITIES & SKILLS DO I NEED?**

You should be enthusiastic and want to develop your skills and ability to create exciting works of Art that reflects your personality and interests.

## **COURSE FOLLOWED**

[AQA Art & Design](#)

## **HOW IS THE COURSE ORGANISED & ASSESSED?**

The course is 60% coursework, 40% exam. You are given the exam paper prior to your exam to enable you to research and plan your final piece. Coursework is divided into three units of study:

**Unit One**            Urban Landscape

**Unit Two**            Portraits

**Unit Three**          Mock Exam

Each of the above units will be a starting point for you to create your own artwork. For each completed unit, you will produce a wide range of artworks using areas such as Painting and Drawing, Mixed Media, Ceramics, ICT, Printing together with Digital Photography and Adobe Photoshop.



# FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

## **WHAT IS THE PROGRESSION ROUTE FOR THE COURSE?**

BTEC Level 3 Creative courses; AS/A2 Art courses

## **DO YOU HAVE TO DO ANY WRITING?**

Yes. 25% of your grade depends on your written annotations.

## **DO I HAVE TO WORK MUCH OUTSIDE THE CLASSROOM?**

Yes. You must do the same amount of H/W as any other GCSE and you are expected to work more independently.

## **CAN I DRAW AND PAINT WHAT I WANT?**

No. You will be given a project brief and you must satisfy the assessment criteria.

## **DO I HAVE TO SIT AN EXAM?**

Yes but it is a practical exam 'unit' not a traditional written exam.

## **IS THERE A BTEC OPTION FOR THIS SUBJECT?**

There are two pathways to achievement in this subject. The GCSE route and the BTEC route. Your class teacher will continually assess your progress and make a judgment on the path you will follow by the end of Year 10.

