Curriculum Guide | Key Stage 3

SUBJECT: ART YEAR: 9

HEAD OF DOMAIN: Mr A Wallis

GROUPING POLICY: Mixed ability

COURSE CONTENT:

Students receive two hours of art lessons per fortnight

What will my child learn?

Students continue to develop as creative practitioners through a variety of experiences in year 9, exploring a range of media, techniques and processes which build on existing skills gained in year seven and eight and raise standards in readiness for the option of GCSE. They are encouraged to take further responsibility and ownership of their work through more individual directions and outcomes, supported staff through broadly themed projects. The use and development of sketchbooks is particularly important leading into KS4.

What will homework look like?

In year 9 homework may be research based or practical work. Students should spend at least 45 minutes on this work. Extended Learning Opportunities (ELOs) – small optional projects will be set across the year and will require longer.

What enrichment opportunities are available?

- Lunchtime Art Club;
- A range of KS3 art extension workshops will be offered by different staff throughout the year;
- Students are encouraged to make gallery visits when possible.
- External courses may be available at local arts centres.

ASSESSMENT

Assessment is on-going with end of unit assessment, self-assessment, homeworks and classwork contributing to the student's report. Literacy is an essential part of the school curriculum and is also taught and assessed within the art.

How will my child's work be assessed?

In addition to the National Curriculum level, students will be given a sub level (-, =, +); this will indicate if they are at the top, middle or lower end of the National Curriculum level.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

How can I support my child in this subject?

- Viewing art and artefacts first hand by visiting local exhibitions, museums and galleries;
- It is helpful if students have some art equipment to work with so they can practice their skills at home;
- Students should be encouraged to spend adequate time on homework tasks. ELO club is available for help with research ICT and printing if required and students can ask their art teacher for help.