

## GCSE Art: Craft & Design



The Art & Design GCSE course provides the opportunity to develop skills through a range of project-based work. The subject is suited to those who have lively and creative ideas and are able to work independently using a variety of skills. Students will follow the Art, Craft and Design course which incorporates a variety of media's so there is something for everyone. Students must be able to draw, write and display work confidently in this subject. Art materials at home are an added bonus!

Students have the opportunity to focus on the following areas: Drawing, Painting, Graphics, Textiles, Photography, Three-Dimensional Design, Wire work and Ceramics.

## Example Work:



Students will be expected to deal adequately with the following points:

AO1: Develop ideas through investigations,	<b>Objective 3</b> , AO3: Record ideas, observations and insights relevant to intentions as work progresses.
AO2: Refine work by exploring ideas, selecting and experimenting with appropriate media, materials, techniques and processes.	<b>Objective 4</b> AO4: Present a personal and meaningful response that realises intentions and demonstrates understanding of visual language.

**Assessment:** The student receives feedback and assessment throughout each project, together with a mock examination in Year 10 and 11. Pupils will create a portfolio of work in YR10 & YR11 which is worth 60% of the marks and to take a 10 hour practical set test which is worth 40% of the marks. The portfolio of evidence will start from day one along with a series of skills based lessons. The work is marked internally by the Art staff and a sample is moderated by the Examining Board. In your work you will gain credit from showing a starting point based on a theme, this will develop from looking at different artists who inspire you. You will then create developments that will contribute to a final piece. This all has to be presented to a high standard on A2 sheets, which can be displayed in your portfolio for a future career.

**Next Steps:** Many students go on to take A levels courses and then on to college or university. Art & Design is not necessarily for those who want to work in this field. It is also an opportunity to develop an interest that can provide relaxation and enjoyment throughout life. There are many career opportunities connected with Art & Design such as: Illustration, Photography, Make-up, Ceramist etc.

For further information please see Mrs Nesirky and watch the video on the school website Year 9 Choices | Stafford (staffordmanorhighschool.com)