



Art and Design FAQs

What is the GCSE Art exam like?

The exam is 10 hours in total. We will spend approximately 8 weeks preparing for the exam in class. This time holds the majority of the exam marks. During this time we will cover the four assessment objectives and develop your final piece. By the time you enter the exam room you will know exactly what you are going to do and how you are going to approach it. The ten hours will simply be you producing a final piece of artwork.

What does the coursework involve?

You will be developing one project across the two years. This means that you have plenty of time to put together a coursework portfolio. As long as you meet deadlines, which are generous to enable everyone to meet them regardless of how fast or slow they work, you should have no problem. The course finishes earlier than most of the other subjects in year 11. This supports students during the main exam period to focus on other subjects.

I want to take Art but am worried that I am not good enough.

If you have not seen the video 'Am I good enough to take Art GCSE?' Please ask your Art teacher to share the link with you. I am sure that this will put your mind at rest.

I enjoy photography, can I take Photography GCSE?

We do not run photography as a discrete GCSE however you will have plenty of opportunities to use your photography skills throughout the course.