



## *Welcome*

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## KS4

At Key Stage 4 students can choose Art and Photography pathways.

Students follow GCSE (EDUQAS exam board) . We follow an unendorsed course so that pupils are free to work in any materials/style they wish. Both Art and Photography are creative courses that allow students to explore themes and the creative responses of Historical and Contemporary artists, designers and photographers.

GCSE Art & Design and GCSE Photography have a range of learning opportunities for all students that are both practical and theoretical. Thus, providing our learners with the knowledge, understanding and skill set to maximise their personal achievement. The course covers multi disciplines that allow for fluid expression such as: Traditional Fine Art (painting, drawing, printmaking, sculpture) Textiles, Machine Embroidery, Serigraphy, Dress making, Fashion, Analog and Digital Photography, Photoshop, Modelling, Construction and Arts Based ICT.

GCSE (EDUQAS) The course is split between portfolio/coursework assessment (60%) and 10 hour practical (40%).



**KS5**

**'A' level Art and Photography courses**



Do you enjoy creating, making and problem solving creatively? An A Level qualification within the creative arts provides an opportunity to pursue a career within the second highest employer/industry within the UK.

Both courses provide a stimulating and captivating opportunity to show your creative side. In photography, every aspect of photography is covered from using a camera, studio, darkroom and digital darkroom through to looking at the work of other photographers and how to present a professional portfolio including both and digital portfolio and a blog. In Art, you have the opportunity to discover what type of artist you are, through diverse and innovative approaches that cover multiple disciplines within Fine Art: Painting, Drawing, Photography, Etching, Printing, Photoshop and Sculpture.

Learners will complete a series of core professional and specialist units delivered through an internally designed brief. Assessment is carried out according to unit specifications, which include well presented practical work supported by written annotations, artist analysis, blogs and/or group/peer presentations.



## Useful links and places to visit

Art and Design is a demanding and challenging course which is enhanced through independent and personal engagement. Regular visits to as many exhibitions and galleries as possible would be hugely beneficial, as well as viewing art centred documentaries or programs on television. However the most important support we would recommend is regular viewing and discussion of the sketchbook – encouraging your child to discuss what they are learning and the artists/themes they are studying.

### KS3

- [nationalgallery.org.uk](http://nationalgallery.org.uk)
- [vam.ac.uk](http://vam.ac.uk)
- [tate.org.uk](http://tate.org.uk)
- [npg.org.uk](http://npg.org.uk)
- [britishmuseum.org](http://britishmuseum.org)

### KS4

- [whitechapelgallery.org](http://whitechapelgallery.org)
- [nhm.ac.uk](http://nhm.ac.uk)
- [sciencemuseum.org.uk](http://sciencemuseum.org.uk)
- [wellcomecollection.org](http://wellcomecollection.org)
- [thephotographersgallery.org.uk](http://thephotographersgallery.org.uk)
- [barbican.org.uk](http://barbican.org.uk)
- [www.bbc.com/bitsize/subjects](http://www.bbc.com/bitsize/subjects) (Art & Design)

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