# Subject: GCSE Art

Exam board: WJEC

Syllabus code: 3651QS (Fine Art)



### **Course outline:**

The WJEC GCSE in Art and Design is designed to provide engaging, challenging, coherent and meaningful learning experiences through a flexible structure that supports the sequential and incremental development of creative practice. Our rewarding and immersive programme of study broadens experience, develops imagination and technical skills, fosters creativity and promotes personal and social development. The focus of the specification is to nurture an enthusiasm for Art, Craft and Design and, through a broad introductory foundation programme, to develop critical, practical and theoretical skills that enable students to gain a holistic understanding of a range of practices and contexts in the visual arts, crafts and design fields.

#### **Course assessment:**

The internally assessed, externally moderated Unit 1 'Portfolio' (60%) encourages adventurous and open programmes of study that promote purposeful exploration, experimentation and opportunities for productive personal expression.

The internally assessed, externally moderated Unit 2 'Externally Set Assignment' (40%) enables students to apply the knowledge, understanding and skills that they have acquired in Unit 1 by producing an appropriate outcome within a set time frame to demonstrate their best achievement.

The following assessment objective headings have been provided to assist teachers and students:

AO1 Critical Understanding AO2 Creative Making AO3 Reflective Recording AO4 Personal Presentation.

## What qualities do I need to take this subject?

Embarking on any GCSE course is a big commitment, but particularly with an Art course. There are going to be lots of challenges, along with exciting opportunities to develop yourself as creative artist. If you are practically minded, hands on, creative and open to new ideas, then GCSE Art is the subject for you. Come and find out more at the Art stall on the Pathways Evening.



#### What can this course lead to?

Art develops a growth mindset. This course embraces new technology and all creative media. We help students develop a wide skill set. Creative thinking is an advantage of any career. Art GCSE can lead to a fulfilled, creative and exciting visual experience in whatever field of work you choose to pursue.

Past students have gone on to achieve success in a wide range of careers.