



ART

Why is the study of Art important?

Art is a valuable subject for all to study whether you are a gifted painter or sculptor or have never engaged in any artistic pathways outside of school. Art's place in your education has important wider benefits in your personal and social development building your resilience, self-esteem, sense of achievement and indeed how you view the world. Art trains your brain to think critically, to appreciate and see things creatively. Creativity exists in everybody and by studying Art you learn about your own creative expressions and that of others from our past. Art provides an exciting means to explore the cultures of the past and present in our world. It is a vital aspect of everyday life and plays an important role in our human experience. Whether doodling, painting, or admiring a view, the study of Art helps you see things in new ways. It requires you to use both sides of your brain and develops your ability to think academically, emotionally, physically and spiritually. Studying Art can lead to your personal life time pursuit of creativity for your own personal enjoyment.

What skills will the study of Art teach you?

Studying Art will primarily teach you the skill of creativity, as you develop your ability to utilise skills and techniques to communicate visual ideas. You will learn to approach this challenge through a wide range of mediums which may include drawing, painting, printing, photography, pottery or sculpture. You will develop your confidence in applying these skills to projects that develop your self-expression. Participating in Art will also develop your problem solving skills as you approach the challenge of creating your own artwork. For example, starting with a lump of clay and turning it into a piece of pottery requires you to work out the process, as well as developing your focus and perseverance. You will need to stick with the creative challenge to create the final piece of artwork that you desire! It won't always progress as you hope and this requires you to develop your dedication and resilience. Whilst you are drawing, painting, designing and creating artworks you are thinking about what you are creating. You are therefore learning how to refine and develop. Good artists develop a level of resilience and know it is ok to make mistakes and then think about how to correct them. Observational skills will also be developed, not only through drawing, but also as you scrutinise the works of key artists, and draw inspiration from their work. You will develop your analytical skills as you review the work of professional artists and analyse the key features and characteristics of their work.

Art will teach you to...

- Develop creative ideas using research and experimentation to influence your approach
- Apply art skills such as drawing, painting and sculpting to communicate an idea
- Use your knowledge of key artists to inspire your work
- Analyse the effectiveness of your artwork and develop your techniques over time
- Express your ideas within a group during collaborative creative tasks **What will you know and understand from your study of Art?**

Through your study of Art, you will be exposed to a wide variety of works from different cultures and professional artists. You will understand that Art has a strong cultural context and will have the opportunity to study Art from other parts of the World, such as Europe and Australia. You will understand the work of other artists such as Gustav Klimt and Vincent Van Gogh. As well as understanding why they created their pieces, appreciating their individual style and understanding the techniques that have been used. You will also gain understanding of the intentions of the work and the ways in which people responded to the pieces when they were first created. You will develop your own techniques in these styles and learn to master some of the skills inherent within the work.

What will learners know and understand from their study of Art?

- Artists usually have an intention for their work and there is often a personal, political or social meaning within the work. • There are many different styles of Art that have evolved over time
- Art is a process and often develops as a result of research and experimentation
- The language to articulate the aspects of a piece of Art that they like/dislike and why
- How to develop creative ideas, using research and influences to evolve the work
- How to apply creative skills to a piece of artwork that expresses a theme or idea

How does your study of Art support your study in other subjects?

Art develops a number of skills that will support your study of other subjects, as so many of the skills you will acquire in Art are transferable. Art will develop your focus, resilience, self-expression, problem solving and communication skills, which will help you in all of your other subjects. Art will give you an opportunity for creative expression, which can lead to improved well-being, and support your study experience throughout school. Some students may take this even further and discover a subject that provides them with a life-long hobby or career that enhances their life for years to come.

The study of other cultures through Art has strong links with Religious Education, Geography, and Citizenship and the self-expression aspects of Art will support learning in Performing Arts and Music. We will be reading the stories behind the cultures we study and delving deep into their messages and meanings. The ability to think creatively and problem solve are crucial in Engineering, Mathematics and Science.

How are you assessed in Art?

Throughout the 3 or 5 years Art course you are assessed using the following assessment objectives which ensure that you can cumulatively build your subject understanding in preparation for future GCSE and beyond. There are half termly assessment points each year. In younger years we use our subject mapping of our curriculum's age related expectations to assess how students are currently performing against their age related expectations at this point in their study. At GCSE we make informed predictions informed by our holistic assessment of students progress against the key assessment objectives and their aspirational GCSE targets. These are also the basis for any appropriate support and intervention.

Key Assessment Objectives

The 4 key assessment objectives in Art are:

AO1 – Develop ideas through investigations, demonstrating critical understanding of sources.

AO2 – Refine work by exploring ideas, selecting and experimenting with appropriate media, materials, techniques and processes.

AO3 – Record ideas, observations and insights relevant to intentions as work progresses.

AO4 – Present a personal and meaningful response that realises intentions and demonstrates understanding of visual language.

Working at assessment: Below is the key/definition of how you are working against what is expected of you currently.

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| <p>Excelling – Prediction grade 8/9 at Key Stage 4 You are working well above the standard that is expected of you currently.</p> | <p>Demonstrate independent and exceptionally thorough research with an in-depth understanding of sources to develop ideas convincingly and creatively with confidence. Skilfully apply a range of exceptionally creative and technically developed skills, experimentation and innovation to refine work. Record observations fluently with highly developed influences on ideas and processes. Demonstrate exceptional use of visual language, technique, media and contexts to realise original, creative and highly skilled personal ideas.</p> |
| <p>Exceeding – Prediction grade 6-7 at Key Stage 4 You are working above the standard that is expected of you currently.</p> | <p>Demonstrate independent research and in-depth understanding of sources to create highly developed ideas convincingly. Effectively apply a range of highly creative and technical skills, experimentation and innovation to develop/refine work. Record observations with well-considered influences on ideas. Demonstrate effective use of visual language, technique, media and contexts to realise personal ideas.</p> |
| <p>Achieving – Prediction grade 4-5 at Key Stage 4 You are working at the standard that is expected of you currently</p> | <p>Demonstrate competent research and understanding of sources to develop ideas coherently. Apply moderate and consistent creative and technical skills and some experimentation to develop/refine work. Record and use observations to influence ideas. Demonstrate competent use of visual language, technique, media and contexts to realise ideas.</p> |
| <p>Developing – Prediction grades 2-3 at Key Stage 4 You are working towards the standard that is expected of you currently.</p> | <p>Demonstrate limited research and understanding of sources to develop ideas simply Apply basic creative and technical skills to limited experimentation. Record and use simple observations to inform ideas. Demonstrate basic use of visual language, technique, media or contexts to realise ideas.</p> |
| <p>Emerging – Prediction grade 0-1 at Key Stage 4 You are working towards the standard that is expected of you currently.</p> | <p>Demonstrate minimal research and understanding of sources to develop ideas simply. Apply minimal creative and technical skills to limited experimentation. Record and use simple observations to inform ideas. Demonstrate minimal use of visual language, technique, media or contexts to realise ideas.</p> |

How can Art support your future?

We offer the study of GCSE and we encourage your continued study in this fantastic subject. Yet we know that choice and personal interest are important aspects of worthy study. Whether you have continued your study of Art into GCSE, you will have gained access to this enriching subject and its study will have taught you to think differently and deeply.

Art is a popular choice in key stage 4. We study GCSE Art, Craft and Design which means we learn how to draw, paint, print, sculpt and produce work in mixed media. Students choose Art for a number of reasons. Some choose it because they are talented artists and want to study a subject they are good at. Some students choose art because they enjoy the challenge of creating pieces of work that are personal to them and allow them to express themselves. Art is offered at most prestigious universities either as a single honours or a joint honours subject studied alongside other disciplines. The very fact that you have been able to study creative thinking will help your future application be they for colleges, universities, apprenticeships or employment. Careers that the study of Art supports include:

- Illustrator
- Branding designer
- Web design
- Town planning
- Teaching
- Event planner
- Jeweller
- Prop maker
- Animator
- Game designer
- Online content creator
- Film maker

- Photographer • Cartographer
- Fashion designer

Key Stage 3

Year 1 GCSE

Year 2 GCSE



In year 7 pupils will study the process of drawing and spend time developing and improving their drawing skills, pupils will create their own observational portraits that reflect their personalities. They will then develop their paintings by adding colour, studying the colour wheel and painting skills to help with this process. Pupils will investigate the work of Leonardo Da Vinci, a master of drawing and painting. Pupils will continue to develop using the wider theme of the city that they live in, they will look at some of the talented artists from Sheffield and how they have used our city to inspire their work, these include Pete McKee, John Ruskin and Phlegm. They will explore different materials such as pen and ink to create their own urban composition.

In year 8 pupils will widen their area of study by gaining inspiration from the wildlife in the UK seas, they will study watercolour in depth and master how to use this media in different ways. Pupils will produce a painting that demonstrates their skill when using this medium. Pupils will explore ceramics and 3D modelling and create a small ceramic sea life tile. Pupils will continue to widen their area of study by studying a range of European artists including Gustav Klimt, Vincent Van Gogh and Antonio Gaudi. They will investigate the way in which they work and develop their own responses to the work of these artists.

In year 9 students look at the wider world, they will study the art of the Australian Aborigines and how they used patterns and symbols to create art for different purposes in their culture. They will master the art of dot painting and create work that is inspired by this culture. Students will also explore the culture of Japan, from its traditional Art through to modern Anime and Manga.

Students will begin with the project 'Sealife', this provides the opportunity to develop their skills from Key Stage 3, looking at ideas, artists and media skills in more depth. Students will have the opportunity to develop their own individual ideas and develop their project in a unique way. All pupils will take part in a clay workshop where they will develop a high quality final piece that demonstrates exceptional use of ceramic skills.

Pupils will develop their second project around the theme 'Nature' This title allows students to develop ideas in their own unique and personal way to reflect things that interest them about the topic.

Some pupils may choose to develop a third project using a theme/title of their own choice.

Students complete component 1.

Students progress on to component 2, (40%) in the form of a question paper from the exam board, they have preparatory time to complete their research and ideas, this leads on to 10 hours supervised time in which to create a final outcome.

Students are required to work independently, completing research tasks in and out of the classroom. Students will be required to attend intervention sessions in and out of school completing all set tasks.

Students are expected to attend enrichment and work on their portfolio at home.

Students can work in a variety of materials such as paint, chalk, ink, pen, charcoal, digital media, fabric.

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| | Students will develop a portfolio that demonstrates their skills, this is worth 60% of their GCSE grade. | They can work in 2D, 3D, use sketchbooks, notebooks, card, and textured paper. |
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| Pupils will continue to develop their skills through homework tasks. | Students are expected to attend enrichment and work on their portfolio at home. | Throughout years 1 and 2 work is continually assessed with regular feedback. Final assessment is moderated via the exam board. |
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