



Curriculum Map 2025-26 - ART

TERM		CONTENT AND SKILLS		
YEAR 7	YEAR 8	YEAR 9	YEAR 10	YEAR 11
AUTUMN Formal Elements - Tropical Looking at all the formal elements or art: Composition, shape/form, perspective, detail/texture, tone, colour theory. Students will also research rainforests and deforestation. Artist link- Maurice Sendak & Beatriz Milhazes.	experiment with the use of colour through the form of block colour, design and textiles. Students will explore and compare the Pop Art culture with the culture of today.	Thematic project on Current Affairs: Year 9 students will complete two longer projects this year and be given more independence to choose areas of interest personal to them. Each project will take a term and a half. Students will work through a range of practical workshops starting with 3D clay techniques as well as Critical studies and Art History. We will use Grayson Perry and current affairs as a backdrop to this terms learning. Artist Link - Grayson Perry & Jo Morgans	Component 1 A - Thematic project focusing on primary observations and drawing interspersed with refinement of practical skills, artist research and annotation lessons.	Component 1 B - Thematic project continued, focusing on experimenting with a range of media, risk taking and final piece development. 10 hr final piece-controlled assessment.

SPRIN <i>G</i>	Fish - Pattern Looking at surface pattern students will explore a range of media techniques such as paper manipulation and mixed media collage. Students will also research sea pollution and recycling rubbish to create art/jobs. Artist link - Peter Clark.	Expressive Portraiture Student's will develop and practise drawing portraits using a formal grid and other portrait techniques. Artist link - Hannah Hoch & Francoise Neille.	Current Affairs: Students will complete a 5 hour clay final piece as well as sketchbook work for their assessment. Thematic project on Identity - Students will work with Photography and Fashion for this project, giving them a wide range of techniques and skills to explore and develop.	Component 1 A - Thematic project continued, focusing on experimenting with a range of media, risk taking and final piece development. 10 hr final piece-controlled assessment.	Exam Component 2 - Externally set
SUMMER	Aboriginal Art Students will research Aboriginal culture and the development of the art techniques used. Students will explore the dot technique and how journeys and Dream Time influenced aboriginal artwork. Each class will create a group contemporary Dream Time journey using traditional techniques.	Henry Moore - Sculpture Researching the War drawings and wax resist techniques used by Henry Moore students will study the human figure. They will work in either wire or soap and create a 3D piece inspired by Henry Moore and Barbara Hepworth.	Students will work in pairs and as a class to create a large Photography 3D sculpture installation Art piece. Artist link - Michael Craig Martin & Alexander McQueen	Component 1 B - Thematic project focusing on primary observations and drawing interspersed with refinement of practical skills, artist research and annotation lessons. In preparation for YR 11's thematic project students will either visit the Sainsbury Arts Centre or complete a workshop with a visiting artist. They will include photos, sketches and	

				artist research from this experience within their sketchbooks.	
Assessment	Students complete a drawing test at the end of every term. Sketchbooks are assessed on a half-termly basis.	Students complete a drawing test at the end of every term. Sketchbooks are assessed on a half-termly basis.	Students complete a drawing test at the end of every term. Sketchbooks are assessed on a half-termly basis. This is marked alongside the students' sketchbooks.	Students complete a controlled assessment over a sustained period (5-10hrs) to complete a final piece for each term. This is marked alongside the students' sketchbooks/digital portfolios. Half termly assessment is completed for sketchbook/digital portfolio work.	All work completed in year 10 & 11 is worth 100% of the students overall GCSE grade.
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CAREER LINKS	Career skills used in SOW Communication – Group work Organisation – work/H/W	Career skills used in SOW Communication - Group work Organisation - work/H/W	Career skills used in SOW Communication – Group work Organisation – work/H/W	Career skills used in SOW Communication - Group work Organisation - work/H/W	Career skills used in SOW Communication - Group work
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designer research embedded.	research embedded.	designer research embedded.	designer research embedded.	illustrator, architect, designer research
		End of Summer Exhibition curation and teamwork. Committee set up and students create the exhibition - Career links: Curator, PR, Graphic Designer, Marketing, Installation Team, Project Manager.	Sainsbury Centre visit – link to job roles within this industry.	embedded.

For further details of Personal Development within the Art department, please see the Personal Development/SMSC audit at the bottom of this document.

Art Department Personal Development/SMSC Audit

Name of Department: ART		Key Stage 3		
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Year 7	Students are always encouraged to work using their own feelings and emotions. Being creative allows the students to explore their inner thoughts and to be able to express these feeling through various mediums.	Tropical themed project – Students research rainforests and deforestation/endangered animals. Fish themed project. During this project students will look at the impact of the environment on fish and why buying sustainable fish is important. Possible H/W project on recycling. TBC.	Tropical themed project - Students will complete work in groups therefore giving them the opportunity to practise and express their own social and democratic skills. Sharing of equipment and resources for all SOW will help to enhance communication and sharing skills.	Aboriginal themed project - Students learn about their culture and how they have developed over time. Understanding of beliefs especially their spiritual connections with nature and Dream Time state of mind.	SMSC day – Cross curricula links with English dept. Workshops around a book for world book day where students work in clay to create a 3D visual to represent a scene from the book. Book TBC but will link into PD (Possibly Healthy Eating)
Year 8	Expressive Portraiture themed project - Students will explore a range of artist who create portraits based on their own spiritual interpretation. Often through a sense of self and exploration of the world around them. Students will go onto create their own expressive portraits taking into account their inner self or world arund them.	Pop Art themed project - Students are encouraged to discuss areas of society that are popular today and compare them to those of the 1950-70's. Materialist objects are explored and the value of these objects discussed.	Pop art themed project - Artist Keith Haring and his graffiti work is looked at. Students explore the rights and wrongs of this art technique and the messages that are conveyed. Henry Moore themed project - WW2 is discussed through the work of Henry Moore. Students get the opportunity to see why this artist did not draw what he saw in front of the people he was drawing. Connections are made between his job and social responsibly.	Pop Art themed project - Students learn about the social differences of the 1950-70's and compare the cultures of today to then.	Pop art themed project - Students work with textiles to create 3D soft sculptures – discussion over healthy eating and food choices. Artist link – Claus Oldenburg

Year 9	Thematic projects. All students will be encouraged to work with their own personal feelings to express themselves. Throughout their artist research work students may decide to study artists that create art work solely in response to a spiritual connection. This decision will be personal to each students and in response to their own project.	Thematic projects. Students will look at social links throughout their projects. Some students may do so very explicitly and focus on a particular social element. Others may use personal experience to explore the social pros and cons e.g. alcoholism.	Artist Research As part of the specification all students will have to cover a range of artist and cultural research. This must be specific to their personal projects and will often encompass other spiritual, moral and social areas. The expectation would be that students research their artist/culture in depth to show an understanding of how that artist creates work and what their influences were.	Grayson Perry themed 3D clay project – gender links and mental health.	
Year 7,8 & 9	Lunch art club – KS3 stude possible links to drama sta	including group work and			
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Year 10	GCSE thematic projects. All students will be encouraged to work with their own personal feelings to express themselves. Throughout their artist research work students may decide to study artists that create art work solely in response to a spiritual connection. This decision will be personal to each students and in response to their own project.	GCSE thematic projects. Students are encouraged to look at the moral implications of their work and how it connects to the world and the intended viewer. They may wish to use a moral message with in their work and this may have been from a personal experience or a general view point. Artist research and influence will be considered and clearly linked as part of the course specification.	GCSE thematic projects. Students will look at social links throughout their projects. Some students may do so very explicitly and focus on a particular social element. Others may use personal experience to explore the social pros and cons e.g. alcoholism.	GCSE Artist Research As part of the GCSE specification all students will have to cover a range of artist and cultural research. This must be specific to their personal projects and will often encompass other spiritual, moral and social areas. The expectation would be that students research their artist/culture in depth to show an understanding of how that artist creates work and what their influences were.	GCSE students have the opportunity to link their themed projects to a range or personal development topics such as: Healthy relationships/ friendships Health Education / mental health / physical health / internet safety/drugs and alcohol/ healthy eating/ preventing poor health (personal hygiene)/ basic firs aid/ adolescence
				SMSC day - Year 10 trip to the Sainsbury Centre across all endorsements OR Artist	

				lead workshop.	
Year 11	GCSE thematic projects. All students will be encouraged to work with their own personal feelings to express themselves. Throughout their artist research work students may decide to study artists that create art work solely in response to a spiritual connection. This decision will be personal to each students and in response to their own project.	GCSE thematic projects. Students are encouraged to look at the moral implications of their work and how it connects to the world and the intended viewer. They may wish to use a moral message with in their work and this may have been from a personal experience or a general view point. Artist research and influence will be considered and clearly linked as part of the course specification.	GCSE thematic projects. Students will look at social links throughout their projects. Some students may do so very explicitly and focus on a particular social element. Others may use personal experience to explore the social pros and cons e.g. alcoholism.	As part of the GCSE specification all students will have to cover a range of artist and cultural research. This must be specific to their personal projects and will often encompass other spiritual, moral and social areas. The expectation would be that students research their artist/culture in depth to show an understanding of how that artist creates work and what their influences were.	GCSE students have the opportunity to link their themed projects to a range of personal development topics such as: Healthy relationships/ friendships Health Education / mental health / physical health / internet safety/drugs and alcohol/ healthy eating/ preventing poor health (personal hygiene)/ basic first aid/ adolescence
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				NUA – Degree show trip in the summer term.	Life drawing classes. The students in Year 12/13 are encouraged to attend these sessions. This helps students overcome boundaries gain confidence within this environment. Whilst being a vital part of developing their observation skills.
Year 13	A-Level thematic projects. All students will be encouraged to work with their own personal feelings to express themselves. Throughout their artist research work students may decide to study artists that create art work solely in response to a spiritual connection. This decision will be personal to each students and in response to their own project.	A – Level thematic projects. Students are encouraged to look at the moral implications of their work and how it connects to the world and the intended viewer. They may wish to use a moral message with in their work and this may have been from a personal experience or a general view point. Artist research and influence will be considered and clearly linked as part of the course specification.	A - Level thematic projects. Students will look at social links throughout their projects. Some students may do so very explicitly and focus on a particular social element. Others may use personal experience to explore the social pros and cons e.g. alcoholism.	A – Level Artist Research As part of the specification all students will have to cover a range of artist and cultural research. They will also visit several galleries. This must be specific to their personal projects and will often encompass other spiritual, moral and social areas. The expectation would be that students research their artist/culture in depth to show an understanding of how that artist creates work and what their influences were.	A – Level students are positively encouraged to take on board contemporary PD issues to gain depth and interest within their personal Investigations. They will often explore mental health, political, abuse and relationship issues.
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