

FACILITIES AND EXPERIENCES

The Art Department is housed in a fully equipped series of studio spaces in the Towlson building. This incorporates an IT suite, dark room and printing facilities. There is also permanent sixth form access with an open door policy for all students opting for Art & Design.

In Year 12 and Year 13 all students can take part in a series of exciting visits and trips. The Art Department takes groups of students to local and national galleries. These include Leeds City Art Gallery, The Hepworth Gallery in Wakefield, The Yorkshire Sculpture Park and a visit to London to the Tate Modern, The National Portrait Gallery and various other inspirational exhibitions.



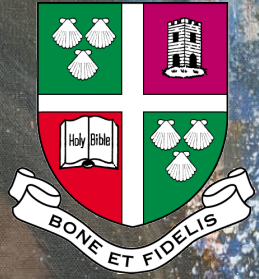
Meet the Art Department Staff:

Head of Department: Mrs K Simpson

Art Teacher: Mrs P Charlton

Art Teacher: Miss H Spiller

Art Teacher: Miss Emmott



ART & DESIGN

WHY CHOOSE ART ?

Get involved and develop your art experiences, because art....

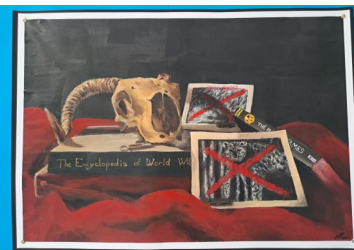
- Allows all students to develop, understand and use new practical skills
- Develops visual literacy, a skill each of us uses on a daily, if not hourly, basis
- Enables students to express their own opinions and understand more fully, the world around them
- Art can give students self-confidence and self-belief
- There are many opportunities to use your creative skills in a variety of work places. Arts based jobs bring in over £11 billion into the British economy each year.



SYLLABUS

Art and Design is a popular A-level option. Students study for the eduqas exam board for qualifications in Art, Craft and Design. We offer two year courses for full A-level or AS qualifications in both endorsements.

The AS course consists of a single unit of work with no terminal exam. The A-Level course has two units of work; the Personal Investigation (60%) and an Externally Set Exam (40%). All work is marked using 4 assessment criteria similar to those used at GCSE level.



KEY STAGE 5

Sixth form students are expected to build upon the skills and experiences they have gained from studying GCSE Art and Design. They will be expected to explore more fully, various media, techniques and critical thinking.

Students will pursue personal themes or interests to develop expressive art work that reflects their own experiences, cultures, interests and concerns.

The students will continue to:

- Draw and paint
- Sculpt and model
- Make prints and take photographs
- Use a multi media approach
- Explore the work of artists; both historical and contemporary practice
- Develop their personal understanding of contemporary culture.

