

KS3 Curriculum overview: Art and Design

Why do we study Art and Design at The Earls High School?

Art in general enhances craftsmanship, imagination, curiosity, problem solving skills, complex analysis, patience and critical thinking skills. Art provides the opportunity for self-expression and in many instances at The Earls students are allowed to investigate subject matter of their own individual interest. Studying Fine Art also provides an opportunity the emotional and spiritual development of a student. Art introduces students to an alternative form of communication. Due to the broad foundation at KS3 and Fine Art option at GCSE, our students are able to, with determination, access any Art course in Further education. In the broadest sense the purpose of studying Art is to foster the type of divergent and creative thinking needed in both the business world and society.

What skills and knowledge do we anticipate students will have in this subject before they begin at The Earls High School?

We would expect students to have learned the following at KS2.

- To have built an awareness of skills required to create sketchbooks and record their observations and use the books to review and revisit ideas.
- -To be proficient in drawing with a range of materials. To have a developing understanding of painting and some form of sculpture, preferably clay.
- -To have a developing understanding of some of Art History's great artists, architects and designers.

What skills and knowledge would we like students to have in this subject at the end of their time at The Earls High School?

We recognise that pupils should be able to analyse and critically evaluate meaningfully all of the mentioned skills below.

- Be able to use visual language skilfully and communicate fluently in visual form. Confident observational and exploratory drawing should be key to this process.
- Demonstrate an understanding of artists and use this knowledge to inform, inspire and interpret ideas.
- Display independence, initiative and originality to develop their ideas, processes and techniques to realise intentions.
- Pupils should develop their resilience and understand that creative practice is often challenging.

Year 7 Curriculum Map: Art and Design

Autumn Term	Spring Term	Summer Term
Main Task Natural Forms project To learn about: Observational drawings introducing students to visual elements – line, contours, shape, form, tone, space, pattern, colour, texture. Students will study the realistic drawings of Da Vinci, moving into compositional designs for a final painting in style of the Cubists. Colour mixing and handling paint. Main home learning tasks: Reading task- Researching artists listed above (CAD) Writing Task- Artist contextual studies and comparative analysis Learning task- Practise a range of drawing techniques	Main Task Self-Identity project To learn about: Drawing self-portraits and profiles in line and tone. Students will learn from the work of Epstein and Teesha Moore. Students will explore the basic principles of portrait drawing and develop this into Clay modelling inspired by Epstein. Main home learning tasks: Reading task- Researching artists listed above (CAD) Writing Task- Artist contextual studies and comparative analysis Learning task- Practise a range of drawing techniques	Main Task Architecture project To learn about: Students begin to learn about architecture and famous landmarks. Students explore the work of Gaudi. Students produce studies of architecture and develop these into compositional designs for a final Screen print. Main home learning tasks: Reading task- Researching artists listed above (CAD) Writing Task- Artist contextual studies and comparative analysis Learning task- Practise a range of drawing techniques Key assessment: Students will be assessed using the following
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To learn about: Natural v Man Made Students explore natural and man-made themes through large realistic Fossil studies on grounds and Art Deco inspired repeat prints. Students will also look at Steam Punk. The unit will provide an opportunity for students to explore lino printing, charcoal and some mixed media. Main home learning tasks: Reading task- Researching artists listed above (CAD)	To learn about: Indigenous patterns and animals. Students choose from a focussed selection of Non-Western native patterns and animals. There is a limited focus on artefacts and the work of Yinka Shonibare. Students produce A3 mixed media using Sgraffito, card relief and fine-liner based techniques. Main home learning tasks: Reading task- Researching artists listed above (CAD) Writing Task- Artist contextual studies and comparative analysis	Summer Term To learn about: Surrealist perspective. Rules of one and two perspective, moving into a pictorial composition and Surrealist painting of a building from around school. Students will study a selection of Surrealist artists, including De Chirico, who have developed surrealism within the built environment. Main home learning tasks: Reading task- Researching artists listed above (CAD) Writing Task- Artist contextual studies and comparative analysis Learning task- Practise a range of drawing techniques
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