



Department: Art & Design

Overview:

In the art department, we seek to give students a range of experiences that will ultimately allow any student who studies with us, to pursue art at A Level and beyond, if they so wish. We also want to challenge students who believe they are not 'good' at art, and help them to create independent and creative outcomes. Our teaching is grounded in the idea that there are many ways to be creative. We aim to provide students with a range of ways of working so they can best discover what works for them. This can range from neat, small work to large and messy. At the same time as instilling creative confidence, our students will learn to refine both their ideas and their technical skills. Through their time at Broomfield, students will have had experience of drawing, painting, print-making and sculpture.

At GCSE, we follow the Edexcel course. Students complete creative coursework. 50% of their grade is based around the work they complete in school around the theme of Portraits. The other 50% of their grade is achieved through the coursework they create on a theme set by the exam board.

Assessment

At KS3, pupils are assessed at the end of each topic. However, we find it most helpful to provide students with ongoing feedback throughout their projects. Art is an ongoing process of evaluating your work and then refining or improving it to create more successful outcomes.

At KS4, pupils are assessed each term. Because Art is completely coursework based, we are able to give students ongoing feedback as to how they are progressing through their work.

Grouping & Setting

We believe that students complete their best work in mixed ability groups. Art is a wide ranging subject and allows opportunities for students of all abilities and interests to excel. Whilst one student may excel in painting, they may struggle with sculptural work. We find mixed ability groups allow students to share their skills in different areas with each other.

Support/ Revision/ Extra Curricular and Useful Websites

At KS4, we have after school sessions available for students to work on their coursework.

At KS3 we have after school art club.

We encourage parents to take their children to art galleries and museums to see a range of art and design.