



Broughton Hall Catholic High School

Art & Design Technology Department

General Overview

The Department intent:

We aspire to develop the visual and kinesthetic creativity of all students through teaching and learning strategies that challenge, inspire and add context to the changing world around us.

We aim to develop the cultural capital of our students both through the lessons we teach and the enrichment opportunities we offer.

We aim to ensure that there is a variety of courses at various levels on offer, which meet the needs and aspirations of all students.

Department Structure:

The Art and design Department at Broughton Hall Catholic High School consists of 10 subject specialists, who work tirelessly to meet our department intent. We have five full-time and five part-time teachers, supported by 3 technicians.

KS3

The National Curriculum is followed and teaching is in mixed ability groups. A carousel format is used to ensure students experience all material areas.

Year 7

Pupils study Art and Design technology subjects twice per week. They will be taught Art, Textiles, Food Technology, Product Design approx. 18 weeks in each subject area. Pupils will have lessons in two subject areas until February and rotate into the additional two subjects areas until July.

Year 8

Pupils study Art and Design Technology three times a week in Year 8. They will be taught Art 2D, Art 3D, Textiles, Food Technology, and Product Design approx. 8 weeks X 3 lessons per week in each subject area.

Year 9

Pupils study Art and Design Technology two lessons per week in Year 9.

Pupils will be taught Art plus one selected subject from Textiles, Food Technology and Product design.

KS4

Art and design technology subjects are extremely successful and a popular option choice at KS4.

The Department delivers GCSEs in Art, Photography, Design Technology and Food and Hospitality. In addition, to support the needs and aspirations of all students, the department delivers two applied courses, BTEC Level 1 / 2 Art & Design in Practice and WJEC level 1 / 2 Certificate Hospitality and Catering. Attainment in subjects is significantly above national expectations.

KS5

At KS5 progression to A Level is good, class sizes exceed 10 in each material area. Pupils follow the Art and Design curriculum. We offer 3 A level choices: Textiles, Fine Art and Photography. We have a number of students who will take 2 of the 3 subjects. Attainment is consistently above national expectations and a number of our students are successfully supported in their post 18 choices, securing places at University Art and design courses.

Accommodation and Resources:

The Art and Design Technology Departments are based in the Design Centre, situated adjacent to the main school building. It comprises designated art, textiles, product design and food rooms, a graphics suite, containing both Apple Macs and PCs. An additional multipurpose room that is used for the delivery of photography and other creative courses.

The department is very well resourced. Equipment has been purchased to ensure pupils are working with state of the art resources, particularly in the area of CAD CAM and e learning. A laser cutter is used in conjunction with 2D design software to allow students, at all key stages, to use computer aided design and manufacture when they design products. The textiles department is well resourced with CAD CAM embroidery machines and over-lockers. All rooms have an interactive Promethean board, a computer for the teacher and a bank of computers for pupil use, including Apple Mac computers.

Extra-Curricular Activities:

All staff organise and deliver lunch time and after school sessions including KS3 Art Club and GCSE and GCE support. To develop the cultural capital of our students the department organises a wide variety of trips to both local and national museums and art galleries and residential courses to support GCSE and A Level students.

