



A Level Art

Pre-course work



Pre-course expectations

Success as a Sixth Form student is the result of the breadth and depth of your independent learning and study. Therefore, it is essential that you start to develop your independent learning skills, in order to support your journey as a Sixth Form learner. This pre-course work provides an opportunity for you to make the best start to Art. Please complete the activities below and submit your finished learning to your teacher in your first Photography lesson in September. If you have made a late change to your timetable, please complete this work within the first week of the course.

Details of pre-course work

Complete two tasks, one from each of the two categories

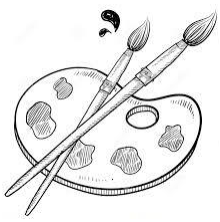
1. Practical work:

- A still life observational drawing of a group of related objects, any black and white media
- A portrait of a person, any materials/scale
- A painting, any subject matter that shows you can effectively handle colour, tones and gradients.
- A functional craft outcome, such as a piece of jewellery, garment or vessel.
- An illustration created in response to literature
- A short film or animation- any subject matter
- A sculpture, any materials/subject matter

2. Critical and Contextual Knowledge

(ideally link choices of artist/designers to your practical work)

- Create a reference page which includes artwork by 4 different artists, that are linked with the same subject matter e.g. landscape. Creatively present your work and include a description and opinion of each artist's work.
- Create an Artist research page which focusses on one artist in greater depth, which includes; title, contextual/background info, Analysis of one specific piece of their work. Creatively presented with artwork.
- Visit a museum or public gallery and create a research page (Approx. A3) which includes; observational drawings/colour studies, notes/written observations or thoughts, and postcards/brochures of work. Creatively presented.
- Create a timeline of art from ancient times to present day, include pictures, drawings, diagrams and notes. Present creatively.



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Resources needed for September:

- Set of drawing pencils
- Rubber/sharpener/ruler
- Black Fine liner pen
- Black biro
- Purple pen
- Scissors, glue stick, craft knife

Optional but very useful extras:

- Fine, med and wide brushes
- Small set of Watercolours/acrylics

Stretch yourself

Watch online tutorials on artistic techniques and have a go yourself, view films and documentaries about art and art history. Go and 'see' Art. Keep drawing.

Wider reading, useful books:

