

# Art and Design



The Art and Design department is hard-working, enthusiastic, supportive and committed to the achievement of excellence in the delivery of the Art curriculum within the Academy. Students have worked with the Royal College of Art Outreach team, the Royal Academy, the Courtauld Institute and UCL's Bartlett School of Architecture. The department is also proud of its student's continued success in gaining places at some of the most prestigious university art colleges in London, such as CSM and Chelsea Colleges of Art and Design, UCL The Bartlett School of Architecture, studying Fine Art, Fashion and textiles, Architecture, Graphics and Photography, Set design, Jewellery, Animation and many more aspects of Art & Design.

## Curriculum Overview

Throughout the two-year KS3 all students gain experience of the full range of Art & Design specialist areas, including drawing, painting, printmaking, ceramics, sculpture and critical studies. These are delivered through a series of projects. Each week students attend approximately 1 x 75 minute block of Art and Design.

Year 10 and 11 students follow the Edexcel GCSE Fine Art course. Contact time is 2x 75 minute blocks. Students select their own specialism to work on throughout the course.

In the 6<sup>th</sup> form the department offers Fine Art AS and Fine Art A-Level along with the Visual Arts International Baccalaureate programme. Students work with Ceramics, Painting, Mixed Media, Drawing and Printmaking. This year students are going to Paris for the day to gain inspiration for their new coursework projects.

## Subject resources

Art and Design enjoys excellent resourcing in terms of the subject capitation, with well-maintained teaching areas and equipment. The department has two kilns, a printing press and is fully resourced for all 2D media. The department has close links with the DT department enabling use of the laser cutter and ICT facilities are well utilised.

## Technical support

The subject is well supported by a highly qualified general/ ceramics technician. He provides a high level of support including provision of resources and the maintenance of tools and equipment.

## Extracurricular

There are many extracurricular opportunities provided for students, such as Drawing Clubs, Ceramic Clubs and GCSE and A-Level clubs. The department participates in ARTiculation (a national speaking competition). Trips this year include the Surrey Sculpture Park, Central St. Martin's Degree Show, workshops with the TATE and a day trip to Paris.

