

Art Department at Durrington High School

This is an exciting opportunity to join a 'world class' Art department that is committed to excellence and continued development, without doubt, this is one of the best departments nationally. A diverse enrichment programme supports a strong and vibrant curriculum. We currently offer Fine Art, Textiles, Graphics & Photography at GCSE with over 175 students studying these subjects at key stage 4.

Our department's vision at DHS is 'To create an exciting, creative and contemporary curriculum to inspire and generate new thinkers and future artists and inventors'.

At key stage 3 skills are developed in drawing and painting, printing and sculpture. These projects are set termly with a strong reference to the work of other artists, crafts-people, designers and art from other cultures. Dynamic observational drawing and the creative use of a wide variety of techniques, processes and media underpin the department's great success and the progressive development of skill, knowledge and understanding.

Our extra-curricular programme is a real strength. Students have the opportunity to attend specialist workshops at Worthing College & Brighton MET as well as attending gallery trips to Brighton, London, a variety of European destinations and New York. We also have an annual exhibition at Colonnade House in Worthing featuring GCSE work which is a great way to celebrate the amazing talents of our students.

One of our greatest strengths is our passion and drive for creativity and our teamwork and team spirit. All Art staff contribute to planning and resourcing lessons and units of work; this consistency of approach is supported by our fortnightly Subject Planning and Development meetings. CPD and a commitment to staff development are at the heart of everything we do.

Durrington High School has an Art and Design department staffed by 4 very experienced and dedicated teachers, who are continually striving for excellence in all that they do.

We have a track record of outstanding GCSE results, achieving 100% 4+ as well as exceeding 7+ national averages across all specialisms for a number of years.

2021 GCSE Results

Fine Art - 5+ 98%, 7+ 40%

Textiles – 5+ 100%, 7+ 45%

Graphics – 5+ 100%, 7+ 39%

We are looking to appoint an Art technician who will work with the department for part of the week and then work in student support as a teaching assistant. This role could lead to further development opportunities. We are seeking someone who has a passion for Art, with strong organisational and technical skills. If this is you please apply to join our amazing team.

If you are a committed, hardworking, conscientious and energetic individual who values young people and wants to be part of a forward thinking department, then we look forward to hearing from you.

Steve Bloomer – Head of Art & Design