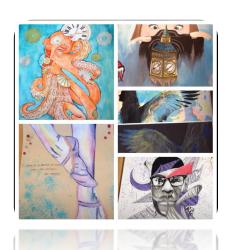




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The Art Department is part of the Expressive Arts Faculty, which currently comprises four teachers of Music, four teachers of Art and two teachers of Drama. This post presents a rare and exciting opportunity to lead and develop a well-resourced and popular department. The staff in the Art Department specialise in the areas of Sculpture, Textile Art, Photography, Painting and Drawing, although there is a vital overlap between the disciplines that are taught by all staff. The department is supported by a part-time Art Technician.

The Art Department benefits from purpose-built, specialist accommodation in the Jubilee building. Facilities include four spacious Art studios, a kiln, a dedicated suite of iMacs, dark room facilities, an exhibition foyer and a technician's preparation area.

Students in Years 7 receive one lesson of Art per week, with Year 8 students receiving two lessons per week. At the end of Year 8, students undergo a 'mini-options' process, with those opting for Art receiving three lessons per week in Year 9.

In the Upper School, students opting for an Art course receive three lessons per week. The Art Department follows the AQA GCSE specifications for Art, Craft & Design and Photography and the BTEC Level 2 Tech Award with a Textiles focus. Art courses are exceptionally popular in the Upper School, with the projected timetable commitments for 2019-20 being as follows:

Year 10	Year II
2 GCSE Art classes	3 GCSE Art classes
2 GCSE Photography classes	2 GCSE Photography classes
I BTEC Art (Textiles) class	

The Art Department offers a successful and popular range of extra-curricular opportunities to inspire and support students. In the Lower School, Art clubs are held at lunch time as well as workshops after school. Specialist activities are also offered to enhance the skills of talented students.

The Art Department also provides studio time during school holidays to enable Year 10 and Year 11 students to undertake more artwork to complement their studies under the guidance of their class teacher. The department considers the display of work to be very important. As well as displays in and around the teaching area, the team put together a major display of students' work every summer. The exhibition is also used as a resource for younger students in their art lessons and provides a fantastic opportunity for Year 11 students to experience their work being displayed in a public environment. New technologies in the school, such as social media, are embraced to showcase and celebrate students' work.

This is an extremely exciting opportunity for an enthusiastic and talented artist seeking to develop their career in a high-achieving school where Expressive Arts are both valued and supported. There is access to high quality CPD for all staff.

We welcome informal enquiries about this post – please contact info@mountbatten.hants.sch.uk

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