

GCSE ART + DESIGN

TIPS FOR PARENTS:

- Students will have coursework to complete on a weekly basis, so it might be worth **checking in** with your son/daughter if they say they haven't got any. (All homework is posted on Google Classroom).
- If students do not complete homework on time they will be given a homework mark on Class Charts. This means that they then need to attend the next **'catch up' session** with their teacher on a Tuesday after school from 2.55 – 3.45. It would be great if you could then insist that your child attends on a weekly basis until they have caught up.
- **Art Coursework Club** is available to all students after school on a Tuesday from 2.55 – 3.45. If students want help with anything or need to use specific equipment or materials, this is a really useful session to attend. Please encourage your child to do so if you think it would be useful for them.
- We often say that being **resourceful** in art is the key to being successful. This might mean that students need to go to specific places to take photographs or collect certain materials. We would be grateful if you as parents could support this.
- Don't forget that your child's art teacher can be **contacted** via Google Classroom if you have any questions about work they need to do.
- Unfortunately, one of the negatives about art coursework is that students often **spread out** and make a mess of a corner of their family home. I know that some parents have moaned to me about not being able to use their dining table for two years. If you can accommodate a space at home where your son/daughter can spread out a bit when they are working, then this really helps.
- **Encourage and Enthuse** – Art is a really hard subject to feel confident about as there is never a specific right answer. Any encouragement you can give your son/daughter in the development of their work is much appreciated.
- Be aware of the **important dates** leading up to the finalisation of GCSE Art. It'll all be done by the start of May next year and this will come very quickly. Please see the dates below:

Current:	Yr 10 PPE Clash of Cultures
Nov 27th + 28th :	PPE Exam Days (Two days off timetable spent in their art classroom creating a final piece.
Dec 12th :	Remark of PPE (Students will have 2 weeks to work on improvements to their PPE, this will then be remarked as a piece of coursework.)
Christmas break:	Any students who still have coursework to finish or improve should use this time to do so.
Early January:	Final Exam Paper given out.
Jan 17th:	London Art Fair Trip.
April 22nd + 23rd:	GCSE ART EXAM.
May 3rd:	Final Coursework Deadline.
May 7th:	GCSE Exhibition Up.
May 13th:	GCSE Moderation.

After this point, students will be able to revise for other subjects in their Art lessons.