

How is the course made up?

There are 3 Units:

**Unit 1: Skills demonstration
(internally assessed)**

Learners will carry out a number of bite-sized projects to demonstrate their competence in the 12 core skills. This will include the transferable skill of teamwork and one of the mini projects should allow for this. Learners will produce a series of small made outcomes and record their work in a portfolio of no more than 15 pages.

**Unit 2: Extended making project
(internally assessed)**

Learners will undertake an extended project that showcases the skills they have developed in Unit 1 and knowledge they have developed through Unit 3. Learners will develop skills in planning and development, making, testing and evaluation and communication.

Unit 3: Fundamentals of fashion and textiles (externally assessed)

Learners will study the fundamentals of the fashion and textiles industry and the industrial and commercial processes that exist within it. They will learn about materials and their properties and also about possible careers within the Industry.

Will the knowledge and skills developed be useful for further studies?

This Level 1/2 Technical Award in Fashion and Textiles gives learners a whole host of easily transferable skills. They include:

- communication
- teamwork.

The course will develop a wide range of practical making skills incorporating surface embellishment, joining and finishing, combining materials and colouring fabrics. Learners will also develop an understanding of commercial processes and an in-depth knowledge of textiles based materials and their properties.



For more information about this course please speak to Mrs Wright

DESIGN & TECHNOLOGY

Level 1/2
Technical
Award
in Fashion
and
Textiles



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Does the course involve practical work?

This course is intended for anyone interested in studying Textiles. This course involves producing both practical and written work. It provides the opportunity to investigate fashion, garments, accessories and home furnishings. In addition, you will also learn about fibres, fabric production and decoration.



In Year 10 we make a simple bag which you can decorate with embroidery and beads. We also learn how to use the sewing machine and follow patterns.

How important is the coursework?

The coursework is very important and consists of just two projects. You will study Sustainability, designing and making.

The coursework is completed during lessons and at home. You have to produce design folders and practical work.

You will be able to develop your own interests and use these ideas in producing your coursework.

The coursework is completed at school in lesson time so all pupils will have access to the ICT facilities in the department.



I find designing difficult. What help is available?

Before we start developing design ideas we always complete research. This may involve producing a storyboard of ideas. We also examine existing products carefully by looking at samples, fashion magazines and the internet. You may also use templates of fashion figures to present your designs if you find figure drawing difficult.



I am not very confident about using a sewing machine. Does that matter? Is this important?

At the beginning of the course we start practising using a sewing machine. All the basics are re-explained. Don't worry if your not very confident we will help you. Learning any skill takes time and we will provide lots of guidance and help.

The important thing is a willing and an interest in the subject. Mrs Wright will try very hard to support and help you through all the coursework activities.

After school sessions will be also be available.

What is the Level 1/2 Technical Award in Fashion & Textiles?



The new Level 1/2 Technical Awards are ideally suited to learners with a preference for practical, rather than theoretical learning. Many of them are tailored towards specific career areas and all have a focus on creativity.

These vocational qualifications fulfil entry requirements for academic and vocational study post-16, and will count as equivalent to one GCSE in the Key Stage 4 performance tables.

Who is this Level 1/2 Technical Award in Fashion and Textiles for?

This qualification is designed for 14-16 year olds who want to study fashion and textiles in a hands

on, practical way that helps them develop the knowledge, skills and experience that could open the door to a career in the industry.