

## Curriculum information for Technology:

### Art Textiles Year 10

<b>Which exam board and course are used?</b>	Art Textiles GCSE <a href="#">GCSE Art and Design 8204</a>   <a href="#">Specification</a>   <a href="#">Subject Content</a>   <a href="#">Textile Design</a>   <a href="#">AQA</a>
<b>What curriculum topics are being covered this year?</b>	We will be developing a range of skills throughout the year to encourage creativity with textiles. They will explore mark making and embroidery alongside the visual expression of emotion during their introductory project 'Stitch a Selfie'. They will then develop these skills and pursue their own interest in techniques in two coursework projects, one based on Sealife and another based on decay.
<b>How many exams have students got and what is covered in each one?</b>	The course is assessed on the work they produce in their sketchbooks with 60% of the final grade coming from this work, it is important pupils fully commit to this work to ensure they can achieve their full potential. The remaining 40% will come from a 10-hour exam where pupils will spend time working independently on their own final piece, the theme will be provided by the exam board and pupils will be expected to create a portfolio of investigations to inform this.
<b>What should students be focusing on?</b>	Students should focus on ensuring they are committed to the portfolio tasks, whilst continuing to explore their themes and a range of techniques. They will be expected to complete some of this work at home to ensure they meet their deadlines.
<b>What is the best way for parents to support students in this subject?</b>	Encourage your child to embrace the subject, fill their social media with fashion designers and textile artists to help inspire them. Students should be following our Pinterest feed, <a href="https://uk.pinterest.com/TPSTextiles/">https://uk.pinterest.com/TPSTextiles/</a> where students will be able to see curated feeds to help guide them in their projects and exemplar work so that pupils understand the expectations.
<b>What websites and resources would be helpful? What wider reading would be helpful? Where can I get resources?</b>	Watch programmes like The Sewing Bee on BBC1, and Next in Fashion on Netflix and Project Runway, available on a variety of streaming platforms. The Great Pottery Throwdown, whilst not textiles based is a thoroughly inspirational show to check out too. <a href="http://www.arttextilesmadeinbritain.co.uk">www.arttextilesmadeinbritain.co.uk</a> <a href="http://www.textileartist.org">www.textileartist.org</a> <a href="http://www.textilecurator.com">www.textilecurator.com</a>
<b>Have previous students got any tips or advice for this subject?</b>	Keep on top of the workload, it makes it far less stressful. Don't be afraid to try new techniques and experiment, enjoy the process.