

## **Art homework policy**

The department regards homework as an activity which aids the development of good work practice through independent study skills and encouraging self-disciplined and self-motivating attitude to study. In this regard, the department supports the main school policy and works within the timetable as organised at the start of each school year.

All pupils are required to keep a sketchbook. This sketchbook is the principal coursework document developed throughout Years 7, 8 and 9. Much of the homework is carried out in this sketchbook using a range of different materials, techniques and approaches. Homework is set to complement and support the work carried out in lesson time. It may practice, reinforce or extend skills already acquired, or be an opportunity to research for the next lesson. It might also involve collecting or preparing materials or images for the next lesson.

### **GCSE:**

Pupils are expected to do 80 minutes of homework per week, usually in sketchbooks. At the beginning of the GCSE course this will be set and marked on a weekly basis, the set homeworks being common to the class. As the course progresses, pupils will make their own decisions about how to develop their own work and how to appropriately use their time at home. This individual work is monitored and regular feedback is offered.

### **Sixth Form:**

We expect students to spend around four hours each week on homework. A level pupils should be expected to undertake a variety of tasks.

Attend an after-school session each Monday between 4-6pm

Sketchbook work - drawing, research etc

Reading and library research

Self-initiated gallery visits

Extra studio sessions in free periods

Keeping up-to-date with the art world through TV, the internet etc.

The pupils are expected to work on their own individual projects they have developed in the studio. All work is monitored through portfolios reviews, regular tutorials and weekly written feedback.