



## Verulam School: Key Stage 4 CURRICULUM INFORMATION

**Department: Art & Design**  
**Subject Leader: Ms. Watford**

**Subject Vision:** GCSE Art & Design progresses on from the skills founded at KS3 and continues to develop a love for Art and design. Over the two-year course, students will be directed by their teacher to complete three projects for their coursework which will encompass a multitude of different skills and techniques using a range of media. This will equip them to find their best way to express their personal, artistic aptitude which can be further developed in their final ten hour exam.

Students will explore a range of historical and current artists from a multitude of different cultural, racial, political, sexual orientation and with disabilities, educating them to see how visual art is a universal language which bears no prejudices and allows for inclusivity by those who produce it and what it is based upon. Beyond the classroom pupils are encouraged to enter competitions building their confidence as aspiring artists. This often results in celebrating their achievement through public displays, giving them a greater sense of achievement. Trips are regularly organized to Art galleries showing historical and contemporary art. Students experience working with practising artists in their art studios which inspires them and helps them to relate to considering a career in the arts.

	<b>YEAR 10</b>					
<b>Term</b>	<b>Autumn 1</b>	<b>Autumn 2</b>	<b>Spring 1</b>	<b>Spring 2</b>	<b>Summer 1</b>	<b>Summer 2</b>
Topic/Unit Title	Primary observation drawing, dry point printing, colour pastel work/Natural Forms/Unit 1.	Lino printing, mono printing, colour painting work/Natural Forms/Unit 1	Final piece/ Natural Forms/Unit 1	Secondary observation drawings, mark making, digital camera work & editing skills/Journeys/Unit 2	Mixed media/ minimising grid skills, label designing, colour painting skills/Journeys/Unit 2	Final piece/ Journeys/Unit 2
	<b>YEAR 11</b>					
<b>Term</b>	<b>Autumn 1</b>	<b>Autumn 2</b>	<b>Spring 1</b>	<b>Spring 2</b>	<b>Summer 1</b>	<b>Summer 2</b>
Topic/Unit Title	Drawing skills in multiple media, /Portraits/Unit 3	Experiments/ Portrait clay sculpture - Final piece/Portraits/Unit 3	Improving & completing all coursework, exam prep work/ coursework & exam	Exam prep work	Hand in coursework, exam – final piece – 2 days/10hrs	N/A