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Dear Parents and Carers

Re: Art and Design Coursework – Information and Checklist

This month your child has started the Art and Design coursework, this will run for the rest of the academic year, and will be completed by the end of the first Term of Year 11.

Your child has now been introduced to the Component One Coursework themes, which they have been asked to choose from. The themes are:

- Natural Forms
- Man-Made
- Portraits and the Human Figure
- Architecture
- Insects, Fish and Birds
- Food

The coursework will contribute to 60% of their final GCSE Art grade. Students will be working on their chosen theme for the next 3 Terms of Art, and will complete 7 presentation boards (A1 size) of work. Each board will contribute to their coursework, providing evidence towards the 4 assessment objectives. The coursework will be completed with a 10-hour PPE in December 2024, where students will create their final piece for this project.

We have given your child a checklist, to help your child manage their time with their Art studies, indicating the expected work to be completed and a deadline for each board. Your child will be working on each board of their coursework within their timetabled lesson, but will also be expected to ensure any work not completed in class is completed as part of their homework for Art. We have attached the checklist for your information and hope this will prove useful informing you of upcoming expectations of your child, and their deadlines in Art over the next 3 Terms.

We would like to encourage our GCSE Art students to take advantage of the **Coursework Catch-up Clubs** run by the department, and would recommend that Art work that needs completing can be done at these clubs. The Art department is open **Monday to Friday lunchtimes and on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday afterschool until 4.30pm** for students to work on their coursework.



Should you have any questions about the coursework, please do not hesitate to contact us during school hours.

Yours sincerely

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