

Home Study for the Art & Design Department

S1 and S2

Rationale

Formal monthly tasks are issued at the beginning of the academic year for homework in Art & Design, these can relate to practical activities happening in class or be tasks designed to improve skills and techniques in both Expressive and Design areas. Numeracy and Literacy will also be addressed in these tasks.

These will be kept to a minimum as it is extremely difficult to guarantee equal access to facilities and materials out with the classroom environment.

All students are issued with a **sketchbook** and are encouraged to develop their interests and drawing skills whenever possible. Students are also encouraged to visit galleries and exhibitions when the opportunity arises.

Activity

A list is handed out, and pasted into the sketchbook, at the start of the year. The list is also uploaded to Edmodo.

How often & for how long?

Students would be expected to work up to an hour a week on home study in S1. Further sketchbook work or gallery and exhibition visits is always encouraged.

S3-4

Rationale

Students studying Art and Design in years S3-4 have opted for the subject and a greater commitment and responsibility to home study is expected of them than in S1 and S2 to develop practical skills as well as knowledge and understanding.

Activity

Each student will have an A2 folio and sketchbook to allow them to transport work to and from school and they will have a separate folder/sketchbook for their art and design studies notes. It is expected that students will complete written exercises at home and complete practical work as required. There is a homework club in the department at lunchtime where students are welcome to come and work.

Homework tasks such as:

- Art and Design studies essays and exercises
- Art and design revision for prelims and exams
- Investigation and research work for projects
- Visits to museum and other field work i.e. taking photographs, visiting the library etc
- Completion of practical work to meet deadlines

How often & for how long?

Students would be expected to work up to 2 hours a week on home study in S2-3. Further sketchbook work or gallery and exhibition visits is always encouraged.

S5-6**Rationale**

Students studying Art and Design in years S4-6 have opted for the subject and a greater commitment and responsibility to home study is expected of them than in S3-4, to develop practical skills as well as knowledge and understanding.

Activity

Each student will have an A2 folio and hardback sketchbook to allow them to transport work to and from school and they will have a separate folder/sketchbook for their art and design studies notes. It is expected that students will complete written exercises at home and complete practical work as required. There is a homework club in the department at lunchtime where students are welcome to come and work.

Homework tasks such as:

- Art and Design studies essays and exercises
- Art and design revision for prelims and exams
- Investigation and research work for projects
- Visits to museum and other field work i.e. taking photographs, visiting the library etc
- Completion of practical work to meet deadlines

How often & for how long?

Students would be expected to work up to 3-4 hours a week on home study in S4-6. Further sketchbook work or gallery and exhibition visits is always encouraged.