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ART AND DESIGN – TEXTILES (A LEVEL)

AIMS OF THE COURSE

The AQA examining board specification introduces students to a variety of experiences that explore a range of fashion and textiles processes and techniques. Students are encouraged to be creative and innovative thinkers to research and use findings to produce quality, meaningful and unique textile creations. Through this course students will gain a wider understanding of environmental, social, moral and global issues within textiles.

COURSE OUTLINE AND CONTENT

Assessment	Overview	Marks	%
	Non-Examination Assessment (NEA) - Preparatory work		
	Portfolio and supporting essay	96	60
	Portfolio and final piece	96	40

In addition to hands-on fashion design and garment creation, this course provides instruction on the environmental, social, moral and global contexts of textile creation and fashion. Students will develop skills in creative problem-solving, independent working and critical analysis throughout the course.

WHAT SKILLS WILL I LEARN?

The course develops skills in problem solving, investigation, creative and analytical thinking, independent working, critical analysis and communication. Students learn both technical, technological and art's-based skills through investigation, practical work and refining ideas through critical analysis and evaluation.

WHAT GOES WELL WITH TEXTILES?

Media Studies, Spanish, French, Information Technology, Art, English, Business Studies and IT.

POSSIBLE CAREER PATHS

Fashion designer, pattern cutter, quality controller, weaver, textiles technologist, fashion journalist, sample maker, trend forecaster, textiles engineer, interior designer, fashion buyer, garment technologist, footwear designer, costume designer, knitwear designer, millinery designer, fashion PR, dress maker, fashion photographer, pattern developer, wardrobe designer.

ADDITIONAL EXAM BOARD DETAILS

<https://t.ly/KOTlo>

PREVIOUS GRADES

Exam Board: AQA

	A*	A	B	C	D	E	U	X	Totals
2023	0	1	2	3	1	0	0	0	7
2024	0	1	4	2	0	0	0	0	7
2025	0	1	3	1	0	0	0	0	5

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

- 5 GCSE grades 4-9 including Mathematics and English Language
- Grade 6 in Textiles or an art-based subject if studied, or a portfolio of creative work that illustrates this skill level in the subject