Design and technology - Textiles

GCSE Design technology– Edexcel
Subject Leader: Ms Finney

What's it all about?

Students will have the opportunity to use traditional skills and modern technologies incorporating a broad knowledge of materials, components and technologies not just in textiles but also in all of the design technology subjects. They will learn new practical skills, design and make products that demonstrate creativity and originality, develop decision-making skills through independent work, produce working drawings and production plans, use materials efficiently in relation to cost and environmental impact, develop the knowledge and understanding to evaluate and refine their own skills whilst making and develop an awareness of commercial practices and employment opportunities.

Who should take it?

If you are interested in a career in fashion design, costume design, interior design and textiles design this course is for you. It will also give a useful starting point for a wide range of other careers in art and design and other careers such as fashion marketing or journalism.

What will I learn on this course?

The course involves small projects mixed with focused practical tasks. Within the project work students have opportunities to develop their practical skills by experimenting with decorative textiles techniques, making own fabrics, use of CAD/CAM and competent use of the sewing machine is taught plus much more.

How will I be assessed?

The course will be assessed in 2 sections- the students will complete one NEA based on a brief released by the examination board which accounts for 50% of their final grade and a written examination again worth 50%.

What do your current students say?

This will be a new course starting from September 2018

Is there anything else I need to know?

In textiles we have a variety of materials and components which students can use but on occasions and for the extended project students may be asked to supply their own fabric and components.

Who can I contact for further information?

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