**DESIGN AND TECHNOLOGY DEPARTMENT**

The Head of Department is supported by a Head of Food Technology and a Head of Resistant Materials

The Design and Technology team consists of 7 teachers and one technician who work together very well as a team.

We share ideas, are positive in our approach, are forward looking and supportive of each other. The team are very pupil focussed and we are committed to creating an exciting and engaging learning environment for all our pupils.

A large percentage of the staff timetable is based within the department, although some time may be given to other curriculum areas as and when necessary.

At KS3 we deliver a range of design and making activities: Food Technology, Resistant Materials and Textiles Technology. Pupils are taught in mixed ability groups of approximately 20 in size.

At KS4 pupils have the opportunity to study the Eduqas Design and Technology specifications in Resistant Materials and Textiles Technology; Hospitality and Catering WJEC; Btec L1/2 Health and Social Care.

At KS5, we currently offer subjects as follows:
AQA Design Technology: Fashion & Textiles
AQA Design and Technology: Product Design (3D Design)

Btec L3 Health & Social Care.

In the department the teaching areas are as follows:-

* Two Food rooms
* One Textiles room
* Two Resistant Materials rooms
* A dedicated Health and Social Care room

Workrooms are available for staff within the department.

The department has a proven track record of examination success at GCSE and A level, and makes a positive contribution to the extra-curricular life of the school.