



# **BROOKFIELD COMMUNITY SCHOOL**

**COMMITTED TO EXCELLENCE**

## **ART DEPARTMENT**

The Art Department at Brookfield Community School is composed of a Head of Department who is also Director of Creative Arts for our trust and one other full time art teacher who is both a TLR holder and AQA team leader. Both have exceptional subject knowledge and are united in their goal of imparting a love of visual art to all students, working collaboratively to facilitate the delivery of Art & Design, Fine Art and Textiles across Key Stages 3-5. We are committed to a knowledge and skill rich curriculum and believe in explicit instruction based around the three pillars of artistic domains of knowledge; practical, theoretical and disciplinary. The three strands are implemented sequentially across all key stages through our practical teaching practice. Our curriculum is devised to be creative, coherent, cohesive and technically challenging. We specialise in drawing, painting, printmaking, mixed media and textiles; we also provide opportunities in photography and digital media. The curriculum is carefully planned and sequenced in order to guarantee high-quality teaching to ensure that students make excellent progress across all key stages.

We deploy innovative and effective formative and summative assessment to support students to achieve high quality vibrant and personalised outcomes. Our curriculum aims to instil mastery and technical proficiency as a foundation on which students can go on to express their creativity through high quality outcomes.

Skills, knowledge and understanding is developed sequentially across Key Stage Three. Students are taught in mixed ability groups and, over a three-year curriculum, develop the ability to explore ideas through materials, process and techniques. At the end of Year 9 students opt for their GCSE subjects and the recruitment of students is supported by the Senior Leadership Team through a guided pathways approach. Students are motivated and supported to develop their knowledge of the language further in order to achieve a GCSE qualification. Both Fine Art and Textile Design are popular choices for students at KS4. We celebrate students' work through displays and an annual exhibition.

We are a highly experienced and collaborative team and the responsibility for curriculum development is shared across the team; supporting a strong ethos of researching, building and developing a well resourced and effective visual arts curriculum. The Art Department is committed to providing creative opportunities and to fostering a rich appreciation of the visual arts. We actively seek opportunities for all students to independently extend their skills beyond the classroom and develop the knowledge and cultural capital they need to succeed

in life; our aim is to prepare our students for life beyond Brookfield Community School and mould them into the artists, designers and crafts people of the future.

Art is a skilled and proficient department that regularly contributes to the cultural capital of the school through vibrant artwork, extra-curricular clubs, trips and inter-house competitions. The successful candidate will also benefit from Trust wide Art CPD opportunities, such as Art networks, subject INSET days which ensure that we continually improve our practice in line with the latest creative methodologies.

We look forward to receiving your application.