## Weatherhead High School Art & Design Technology Department



We are looking for a passionate and dedicated Teacher of Art and Design Technology to join our dynamic and high-achieving department. This is an exciting opportunity for a talented individual who is eager to inspire students, helping them realise their full potential. As part of our team, you will play a key role in nurturing students and helping them develop an appreciation of Art & Design Technology.

The successful candidate will be able to spark curiosity, help students appreciate the arts and develop their understanding of design principles. We seek someone committed to high standards of teaching and learning, who will contribute to the department's continued success and encourage students to excel, both academically and personally.

As a team, we are supportive, experienced and dedicated to continuously sharing best practice. We have developed a challenging and engaging curriculum that students enjoy and thrive within. Our department is well-equipped with modern classrooms, collaborative spaces, a workshop, kiln and photographic studio, creating an excellent environment for both teaching and learning.

Students study Art, Design Technology, Food & Nutrition and Textiles at Key Stage 3, engaging in a range of exciting projects and working in ways that challenge their creativity and strengthen their practical skills. Encouraged by the strong emphasis on the creative arts at Key Stage 4, our students opt in very healthy numbers to study GCSE Fine Art, Design Technology, Textiles and Photography. In Sixth Form, they have the opportunity to further pursue their interest in the arts through taking A Level Fine Art, Photography and Textiles, and many of our Year 13 students have gone on to study related subjects at university, after having their passion for art and design technology ignited through their studies. These courses include Fashion Design, Marketing, Animation, Product Design, Mechanical Engineering, Civil Engineering, Interior Design and Architecture.

Achievement and progress at GCSE and A Level are consistently high. GCSE results are well above national averages in all subjects and the performance of students at A Level is in line with the top 25% nationally. The department prides itself on the 100% pass rates it has achieved at GCSE and A Level for several years in succession. The department is constantly striving to raise attainment through curriculum development, focusing on teaching and learning strategies, sharing good practice and continued evaluation of all aspects of departmental work, in order for the students to realise their potential.

The Art and Design Technology department recognises the value of extra-curricular activities and wider opportunities. This includes competitions, exhibitions and trips to local, national and international venues. This includes annual residentials to the Conway Centre in North Wales and Venice. We have also enjoyed success in several local and national competitions including Dot Art Schools, Design Ventura and Alupro.

If you are an enthusiastic, innovative teacher committed to inspiring students and helping them realise their potential, we would love to hear from you. For further information and to explore the Art and Design Technology Department, please visit the school website at: <a href="https://weatherheadhigh.co.uk/project/art-design/">https://weatherheadhigh.co.uk/project/art-design/</a> and <a href="https://weatherheadhigh.co.uk/project/design-technology/">https://weatherheadhigh.co.uk/project/design-technology/</a>



Roses are red, violets are blue Mia McKeever (Year 9) Winner of Liverpool Schools Dot Art Competition 2024