**Further information about the post of Teacher of Art and Photography (Maternity)**

We are looking for a dynamic, enthusiastic individual to join our successful Art & Photography department to cover a maternity leave. We anticipate that this is likely to be at least a one year appointment.

The department currently includes three full-time specialists and we also benefit from having a full-time technician.

At Key Stage 4 we follow the Edexcel syllabus for Fine Art. There are currently two groups of GCSE students in Year 11, and three in Year 10. There is an emphasis on drawing and painting which is supported by work in sculpture, ceramics, printing and mixed-media. We also deliver GCSE Photography which has become a popular option since its introduction a few years ago. There are two Photography groups in each year.

In the Sixth Form we follow the Edexcel A level syllabus for both Fine Art and Photography.

Standards at all levels are consistently very high both in raw score and value added terms.

In 2022 97% of students achieved a grade 4 or above in their GCSE Art and 92% in their GCSE Photography. In terms of the progress made by students, this placed our results in the top 5% nationally for Art and in the top 12% nationally for Photography.

In 2022 80% of A level Art students achieved grades A\*-B. In A Level Photography 50% of students gained A\*.

These results are indicative of the extremely high quality of teaching and learning in the department.

The department is well resourced with three specialist Art rooms with data projectors, a Photography computer suite and a darkroom with 10 enlargers.

Our Sixth Formers hold a very successful and popular exhibition of Fine Art and Photography in the summer, which is attended by a large number of visitors.

We run trips annually to London for both Key Stage 4 and Sixth Form groups, visiting Tate Modern, Tate Britain, Perry Green and any other galleries with particularly inspiring exhibitions at the time. Our Sixth Formers visit a number of relevant exhibitions. The department has run a number of trips abroad.

Art and Photography are very well established at Freman, and are two of the most popular options at KS4 and KS5. This reflects the department’s commitment to high standards. We would expect the successful candidate to take an active role in the on-going development of the department and the wider college. This is a great opportunity to join a very successful department.

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