



9 October 2020

Dear Parents/Carers

GCSE Design and Technology Year 11

It has been really lovely to welcome back our Year 11 students into our classrooms. We are very keen to ensure all students and parents are fully aware of the non-examination assessment deadlines (worth 50% of the GCSE), and to know what we are doing to support your son to ensure your son makes excellent progress.

To help give all students access to quality teaching and resources, we have split the class into two and the structure will be as follows:

Mondays – half class completing theory and other half completing NEA in a computer room/workshop.

Wednesday – whole class with Mr Roberts with a focus on NEA and what needs to be done next.

Thursdays – as above for Monday, but groups switch tasks.

Below is a list of deadlines and criteria that must be met for each stage of the project. We cannot stress the importance of your son using lesson time efficiently to ensure these deadlines are met. Exam board restrictions prevent criteria 2 -5 being completed at home so all work must be completed at school time.

We are really looking forward to seeing your son progress during his final year of his GCSE and help him achieve his full potential. Please do not hesitate to contact us if you any questions or require further support.

Yours sincerely

Miss Higgins
Curriculum Leader: Design & Technology

Mr Roberts
Teacher of Design & Technology

Assessment Criteria	Marks	Pages
1. Identifying and investigating design possibilities 9th October	10	Analysis of the design context
		Existing product analysis
		Further design research
		Client Profile and Location research
		Research analysis
2. Producing a Design brief and specification 16th October	10	Design Brief
		Design specification
3. Generating design ideas 20th November	20	Initial Design Ideas 8-12 (multiple pages)
		Annotation and initial idea evaluation
4. Developing design ideas 18th December	20	Physical modelling
		CAD Modelling
		Model Development
		Design Analysis and client/customer feedback
		Packaging designs
		CAD Development
		Cutting list
		Materials Investigation and planning
5. Realising Design Ideas 12th February	20	Manufacturing Diaries
		Manufacture Developments
		Final product images
6. Analysing and Evaluating 12th March Final hand in after 2 week improvement 26 th March	20	Evaluation against specification
		Final client interview
		Final user/customer interview
		Testing
		Improvements

Year 11 Termly Overview:

Term 1 - Controlled Assessment Project worth 50% GCSE – Section 2 Designing and Theory

Term 2 – Controlled Assessment Project worth 50% GCSE – Section 3 Development and Theory

Term 3 – Controlled Assessment Project worth 50% GCSE – Section 4 Making and Theory

Term 4 – Controlled Assessment Project worth 50% GCSE – Section 5 Evaluation and DEADLINE

Term 5 – Revision for written examination worth 50%

