

Art GCSE-A LEVEL Fine Art Transition work: 2023

If you have opted to study art at A level next year, we would like you to complete the following artwork and hand it in on the first lesson back in September. This work is the starting point for your portfolio work and is designed to inspire you and prepare you for studying this subject at Advanced level.

Theme - “Summer...”

TASK 1:

Sketchbook- Produce an A6 inspirational sketchbook on your interpretation of what summer means to you. (Challenge- aim to complete your book or produce a page a day!) Include: Drawings, paintings, mixed media, quotes, thoughts, photographs Consider carefully the impact and style of how you present work in your sketchbook. Is it going to be neat, organized, layered or distressed? Be as experimental and adventurous as you can! No limits - choose the scale, format of how you fill your pages. Your choice. Enjoy. (You can complete additional or larger sketchbooks if you work fast but keep the quality high!)

TASK 2:

Photography- 4 PHOTOS Take photographs on the theme of “Summer” and print off 4 of your favorite A4 (You can produce numerous photos and present them in a separate book as well. You can edit them/create a collage. Research photographers for ideas.

TASK 3:

Observation Pencil/black pen Drawing- A4 or A3 This is where you draw from life not a photo. Aim to produce a 2- hour drawing using the full range of tone and Mark making Select your subject matter from the following: View through your window. Garden/ landscape view. Interior. Still life- set up 3 objects Have a great summer and look forward to seeing you in September!

EXTENSION WORK:

Read: The Story of Art by E.H. Gombrich – see if you can order it from the library to borrow or purchase online

Inspiration- Gallery visits: Local, around the UK or abroad. Research and check them out. Collect information. Postcards of favourite images, take photos, sit and draw in the gallery, create your own book of gallery visits!

Tate Britain, London, Tate Modern, London, The Portrait Gallery, The National Gallery, London, Tate Liverpool, Tate St Ives, Birmingham City Gallery, IKON gallery, Birmingham, Walsall Art Gallery, Herbert Gallery Coventry, Compton Verney Gallery.