'Creativity is contagious. Pass it on' – Albert Einstein

SUBJECT DESCRIPTION	The art department offers our S3 learners a broad programme of study aimed at providing the necessary skills to realise their artistic potential. S3 artists will work to develop both their technical and creative abilities to become improved critical thinkers and visual communicators.
	Expressive Projects:
	The focus of expressive projects is to enable students to develop observational skills and different strategies to explore perception. The expressive course aims to build artists drawing, painting, sculpture and printmaking skills. Previous projects have included:
	Artists Poster Project- create an A3 poster investigating and describing the work of a famous artist in their style.
	Portraiture- create a self portrait in front and three quarter view and an acrylic painting of a famous artist.
	Cairngorm Landscape- create an A3 painting using mixed media techniques.
	German Expressionist printmaking.
	Design
COURCE	Design projects aim to challenge pupils with problem solving tasks using realistic industry briefs.
COURSE	Architectural Model Making- create a model of a shelter for Aboyne Green this task is set by internationally acclaimed Moxon Architects.
	Ceramics- create a clay slab structure inspired by a famous style.
	Illustration- illustrate a page from 'Alice Through the Looking Glass'.
	Critical Studies/ Visual Literacy
	The critical studies element of the course is embedded within projects and aims to improve students understanding of their own work through evaluations as well as exploring the work of famous artists and designers.

PROGRESSION & PATHWAYS	National Level 4 Art and Design / National 5 Level Art and Design. National Level 5 Art and Design allows for progression to Higher Art and Design and Advanced Higher. Studies have shown that taking an arts subject boosts overall student performance whilst also having obvious mental health benefits. In 2019 arts and culture contributed £10.47 billion to the UK economy. Career possibilities include architecture, photography, advertising, illustration, theatre, floristry, museum and gallery careers, artist careers and various forms of design ranging
	from furniture, interior, fashion, textile, set and costume design, web and gaming design and numerous others. See the link below for more information: <u>https://www.planitplus.net/CareerAreas/View/4</u>