Subject: ART



We're looking forward to welcoming you in September! Please note that this document has been created by staff to help you prepare to start your studies at sixth form. The work you produce from this will form the basis of a discussion in your first lessons with your teachers.

At the end of this document, there is a review grid for you to complete every time you engage with some preparatory reading this summer.

List of key topics you will study in Year 12:

You will be studying the Eduqas syllabus.

During year 12 and 13 you will produce two units of work, Component 1 (Personal Investigation) and Component 2 (Externally Set Task). However we start the course by introducing you to a range of different working methods through a series of **skills workshops**. Some of these you might never have used, some you might, its important to have a go and maybe take away what you have enjoyed to re-use later in the course. You will be taught by more than one member of staff, each member of staff will deliver a different skill and explain how this should be embedded into your skills sketchbook.

From February you will begin your coursework (Component 1 which is worth 60% of your grade). Coursework is a personal investigation which becomes a self-led study exploring a theme or subject decided by you. You will be encouraged to use artists, visit galleries and record from life prior to the completion of an outcome.

<u>Tasks</u>

In preparation for A Level we would like you to do some or all of the following:

- 1. Watch an episode of The Great Pottery Throwdown (channel 4), Landscape Artist of the Year (Sky) or Grayson Perrys Art Club (channel 4), make a note of what you've watched, make a postcard illustrating the episode and write about what you learnt on the back (you will put this in your new sketchbook)
- 2. Buy a magazine that relates to Art such as Artforum, Art Review, Flash Art, Wallpaper, Interior Design, Crafts, Surface Design. Read it and maybe annotate some of the pages, add your personal opinions to the articles you have read (bring it with you in September, we can share our thoughts).
- 3. Visit a gallery or 2. Guildford has at least 8. Take photos, make some note, maybe do a few drawings. This can be used in your coursework.
- 4. Make a personal piece of Art work. Buy a canvas or open up a cardboard box and use that. Express yourself, could be a portrait, landscape or something abstract, show us who you are.