

## **GCSE Photography**

Photography is a subject that enhances a students ability to think creatively, work independently and produce original work. The subject combines well with more traditional subjects, providing an outlet for creativity.

GCSE Photography will allow you to develop your creativity, imagination and knowledge through sustained projects. You will learn about a variety of photographic media, techniques and processes including hands-on experimentation with traditional and digital media. You will also develop an awareness of critical analyses of artists' work helping to develop their own ideas and intentions using workbooks to demonstrate practical learning and the ability to explore formal elements through personal, individual responses.

You will have access to a fully equipped IT suite, scanning and printing facilities. A fully equipped darkroom is available with several quality enlargers, developing trays and chemicals, filtered water supplies and washing facilities. We are well situated for the major museums and commercial galleries and there will be visits to galleries and museums to develop ideas and gain inspiration.

This course could lead on to a A level in Photography or A Level Art. It will also give you the technical basics that will allow you to build on if you want a career in the creative fields.

## The course gives students the opportunity to develop a wide range of practical skills including:

- Traditional darkroom photography
- Use of Digital SLR Camera
- Digital media/ Photoshop
- Video
- Website development

## Photography related careers include:

- Photographer
- Graphic Designer
- Film maker
- Art director
- Set Designer
- Post production
- TV production
- Web design



GCSE Photography is made up of two units:

**Unit 1 – Personal Portfolio** 60% of total marks **Unit 2 – Externally set assignment** 40% of total marks

