

Art, Craft and Design

'Creativity takes courage' - Henri Matisse

In the Art, Craft and Design department at St John's School, we aim to ensure that all pupils are able to produce creative work by developing and exploring the boundaries of Art. We hope to encourage our pupils to become proficient in drawing, painting, sculpture and other art forms.

Pupils are taught to evaluate and analyse their creative work, using the language of Art, Craft and Design. We introduce and research a variety of great artists, craft makers and designers to our pupils and ensure they understand the historical and cultural development of their art forms. Pupils are introduced to the use of sketchbooks and are encouraged to use them to record observations and gather resources to help stimulate and develop imaginative ideas throughout their years at St John's.

The Art department is a room where every pupil can show their creative qualities and moulds them into young artists with the guidance from Miss Wand. The Art room is a colourful and inspirational place filled with two and three dimensional artwork, where pupils can indulge and develop their artistic skills in a creative environment. As an Art department, Miss Wand takes great pride in bringing out the best in her pupils and encourages them to produce artwork to their best abilities, even if Art is their strongest subject.

Gallery trips are also an important part of the Art, Craft and Design department. In the senior school, trips are arranged whenever possible and includes visits to various London Art galleries/exhibitions, Brighton and Festive events.

Art, Craft and Design is taught to all pupils beginning with Form 1 (Year 3) and progressing to GCSE level for those choosing it as an option in Lower 5 (Year 10).