# A warm welcome to Y6... Art

# Head of subject: Mr. Parker

### **Our Team**

High Storrs Art department is a small team consisting of 4 teaching staff; My Self; Mr Parker (Head of Art) Mrs Kalmar, Mrs Robinson and Mrs Fenton as well as our technician Mrs Clark. Between us there is a wealth of knowledge, experience and expertise. We are all dedicated to the delivery of excellent Art lessons and education to the student's that we teach. We feel our Art curriculum is as unique as High Storrs is as a school.

### **Our Curriculum**

Over a 2-year Key Stage 3 we deliver a curriculum for ALL students of ALL abilities that promotes the development and progression of Art skills. Through Art, students develop fine motor skills; language skills, social skills, decision-making, risk-taking, and inventiveness. We believe that all student's, whatever their starting point can become excellent Artists if taught how to be – and this is something we know how to do! Key Stage 3 students will:

- Develop observational Art skills and learn how to analyse and respond to source materials.
- Embed and secure skills in: Drawing, Colour work, Textiles, Print making and 3D work.
- Develop as Artists, constantly progressing and developing individual Art based skills.
- Become resilient and confident Artists.

At Key Stage 4 and 5, student's will continue to develop their artistic skills whilst undertaking projects which allow them to pursue their interests. Throughout their coursework projects students will learn how to follow the necessary creative journey required to excel in their Art GCSE and A-Level's. We encourage individuality and do not prescribe to a particular 'house style'. We endeavour to teach our student's how to become independent, confident and exceptional practitioners.

Key Stage 4 students will undertake a 1 (or 3) year course in which they will:

- Learn new Art techniques and become more skilful in their abilities.
- Apply problem solving and creative thinking to Artwork, progressing and developing ideas through research, exploration and experimentation.
- Make links to the wider world and apply knowledge of Artists, Art movements, techniques and process to develop individual work.
- Grow independent Artists, learners and self-managers.

At Key stage 5 students will undertake a 2-year course in which they will:

- Learn a wider range of new Art techniques whilst revisiting previous skills, becoming more masterful in Artistic ability.
- Apply problem solving and creative thinking in Artwork, progressing and developing ideas through research, exploration and experimentation.

- Provide opportunities for students to become creative risk takers and confident artists.
- Make further links to the wider world around them, and continue to apply knowledge of Artists, Art movements, techniques and process to develop their own work
- Develop excellent visual, oral and written communication, expressing ideas, thoughts and understanding of their Artwork, the work of others and ideas based in Art.
- Facilitate growth into fully rounded artists/art practitioners, focussing on their own interests, striving for individual and original outcomes.

### **Our Results**

We have an excellent pass rate at GCSE and A-Level with our students. Many of the student's that we teach will often go on to continue studying Creative Art's in some capacity. Paths often chosen by students include: Architecture, Graphic Design, Fine Art, Fashion and Costume, Art History, Web and Game design and Art restoration.

## **Our Legacy**

As a department we believe that Art is an important part of life as any other subject. Through Art, students are able to learn not only a vast array of life long skills, but also learn how to observe the world around them. Students develop in a way that allows them to not only create beautiful artwork, but how to express themselves in a way that they may not have been able to otherwise.

