



Year 7

Textiles - You will learn how to use a sewing machine and use specialist transfer dyes for your own design.

You will make an African inspired pencil case

Product Design – You will learn how to work with wood, woodworking tools and plastics

You will make a mobile phone holder

Graphics – You will learn pencil rendering techniques and use specialist CAD/CAM software which operates the laser cutter.

You will make a bag tag.



Year 8

Textiles - You will learn how to create your own design theme inspired by Save the Frog campaign. You will learn how to create applique and combine different printing techniques.

You will make a T-shirt.

Product Design – You will continue to develop your woodworking skills in a design and construct project.

You will make a mechanical toy in wood.

Graphics – You will develop your designing, rendering and different fonts skills based around typography.

You will make a “Font Selfie”



GCSE

We offer Graphics, Textiles and Woodcraft at GCSE level
All courses are 60% coursework, 40% exam based.

CAREERS: Graphic design, Textile design, Video game design, Apps, Interior design, Landscaping, Architecture, Product design, User experience design, Animation, Photography, Fashion design, Typesetting and many more...!

GRAPHICS TEXTILES PRODUCT DESIGN

TRIPS

Our students have had the opportunity to go to the Tate in London, there is an upcoming trip to the V&A and a trip to the Design Museum is also being planned!

COMPETITIONS

There are lots of competitions throughout the year too! Teams of students have attended the Rotary Technology Tournament where you have to design and make a mystery object you only find out on the day!

There are poster design competitions where the winning poster is used to promote school performances.

Students are also rewarded for excellent homework books with the best winning a prize each rotation.

VISITORS

We love to welcome specialist visitors to the department! Students have had the pleasure of working with the University of Bedfordshire as part of a TestBEDS project combining Art and Science in an exciting project.

We have also had visiting designers delivering workshops in experimental typography and illuminated lettering

TRANSFERABLE SKILLS

Design subjects offer much more than just practical skills!

Other skills you will develop include; using your initiative, being organised, good communication, being innovative, good teamwork and being analytical.