AQA A LEVEL Y13 GRAPHICS CURRICULUM OVERVIEW

SUBJECT: ART & DESIGN GRAPHIC COMMUNICATION

	Topics being taught	What you will be assessed on	How you can support at home
AUTUMN TERM	How to develop ideas and continue experimenting using a range of materials then developing using ICT. Adobe Illustrator & Adobe Photoshop.	Record ideas, observations and insights relevant to intentions, reflecting critically on work and progress.	Continue to encourage students to use private study and home learning time productively (5 hours per week). Help if needed with organisation,time management and interim deadlines.
OCTOBER 1/2 TERM	Adobe Illustrator & Adobe Photoshop. Professional outcomes, templates and mock ups. Presentation of personal investigation.	Ability to present a personal & meaningful response that realises intentions and makes connections between visual and other elements.	Continue to encourage students to use private study and home learning time productively (5 hours per week). Help if needed with organisation, time management and final deadlines.
CHRISTMAS	Essay writing, the personal investigation includes written work of no less than 1000 & no more than 3000 words which supports the practical work.	The written material must be a coherent & logically structured extended response, include specialist vocabulary appropriate to the subject matter and include a bibliography	Continue to encourage students with organisation and time management. Proof read essay to check that it's legible with accurate use of spelling, punctuation and grammar.
SPRING TERM	Considerations for each of the 8 starting points given by AQA (they will select one). Preparatory work will be presented in the form of a sketchbook.	Exploring & selecting appropriate resources, media, materials, techniques and processes, reviewing and refining ideas as work develops.	Support sourcing relevant research both from organisations, companies, individual practitioners and the internet.
EASTER	Students will continue to work Independently on prep work in their sketchbooks ensuring all objectives are covered and they are fully prepared for their 15 hour exam.	Controlled Assignment -15 hours exam. Students respond to a stimulus, to produce work which provides evidence of their ability to work independently within specified time constraints.	Continue to encourage students with organisation and time management for their Controlled Assignment preparation.
MAY 1/2 TERM	The Personal Investigation including a 1000 - 3000 word essay and The Controlled Assignment will all have been handed in prior to the May half term	Internally marked/moderated and a sample will be externally moderated by AQA. Personal Investigation including essay 60%. Controlled Assignment (15 hour exam and prep work) 40%.	Students will be on study leave.

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