



VAD Curriculum Intent

The Queen's Park High School Visual Arts and Design curriculum is designed to fulfil the schools core vision; 'Inspiring Individuals, Empowering Minds, Defining Futures.

Inspiring Individuals

- Provide a broad and balanced curriculum within art and design, photography, design technology and food, so that all students develop creativity, critical thinking and communication skills as part of their cultural education.
- Have high aspirations of all students at all key stages so that they are inspired and challenged, equipping them with the knowledge and skills to experiment, invent and create their own works of art, craft, design and food.
- Extend students experiences outside of the classroom environment such as gallery visits to gain; delight, enjoyment and satisfaction in the creative participation of both critical and contextual and practical activities.

Empowering Minds

- Develop students' ability to reflect upon their own and others' ideas and practice so that they can realise the progress they are making within their learning.
- Embed an understanding of who, how and why art and design and cuisine is made through the study of artists, designers and chefs, developing confidence in using subject specific vocabulary through their reading and writing within their specialist subjects.
- Encourage students to appreciate the diversity of peoples' appearances, ideas and beliefs from around the world and their different approaches to making and using art and design and understanding how the impact of different foods from different cultures has within our own daily experiences.

Defining Futures

- Continually develop well-rounded individuals so that the visual arts and design curriculum provides opportunities to think, respond and create as professional artists, designers and chefs would.
- To make explicit links to the creative and food industries of the potential of the job market within these sectors that support and work with practicing artists, designers and chefs.
- Provide excellent CEIAG for all students at all levels of their educational journey so they are able to progress to their desired next steps. Students are made aware of all the pathways available within universities, colleges and apprenticeship routes relating to art, design and food careers.