

Art, Craft and Design Curriculum Map

Intent

The curriculum has been designed to empower students with virtues that enable them to excel academically and spiritually inspiring them to serve humanity selflessly (Nishkam), with an abundance of love, compassion and forgiveness. The curriculum aims to support students to learn about peace, forgiveness, love and faith in the Divine through their academic subjects, faith practice and personal development.

Our curriculum is constructed around our vision to ensure we remain:

Faith-inspired: learning from the wisdom of religion

Our students explore the divine context of humanity and wonder of all creation. They not only learn about, but also learn from, the wisdom of religions and in so doing explore the infinite human potential to do good unconditionally. We support students to develop aspects of their own religious, spiritual or human identities. They learn about serenity through prayer and humility in service and in so doing, they deepen their own respective faith, and respect the common purpose of all religious traditions, as well as respecting the beliefs of those with no faith tradition. They explore the unique divinity of the individual, and our common humanity.

Virtues-led: nurturing compassionate, responsible human beings

We believe that the fostering of human virtues forms the foundation of all goodness. Our curricula are carefully enriched to allow experiences where our students, teachers and parents alike learn to grow through a conscious focus on virtues. Our virtues-led education approach helps to provide guidance to enable students to understand their choices in order to help lead better lives. Our students become self-reflective and flourish; they are able to build strong, meaningful relationships and understand their responsibilities to the global family and all creation, founded in faith. Students learn to experience faith through lived out through righteous living in thought, action and deed.

Aspiring for Excellence: in all that we do.

Our students and staff alike aim to become the best human beings they can possibly be, in all aspects of spiritual, social, intellectual and physical life. We foster a school culture which inspires optimism and confidence, hope and determination for all to achieve their best possible. This is accomplished through a rich and challenging curriculum, along with excellent teaching to nurture awe and wonder. Students gain a breadth and depth of knowledge and a love of learning to achieve their full potential.

The curriculum at Nishkam School West London has been carefully crafted to be broad, balanced and stimulating, giving every Nishkam student the opportunity to be knowledgeable, multi-skilled, highly literate, highly numerate, creative, expressive, compassionate and

confident people. Knowledge-rich, skills based and Faith-inspired, the Curriculum at Nishkam School West London is delivered through three **Golden Threads** that are unique to our ethos and virtues:

1	Love and forgiveness vs. Enmity and Hate
2	Peace and Collaboration vs. Conflict and War
3	Trust in God

Every composite of our curriculum is constructed of components that have each of these threads at their core. These elements can be clearly identified in our subject-based curriculum maps and Schemes of Learning documents.

The Nishkam vision for Art, Craft and Design is centred around providing opportunities for every child to express their individuality and creativity. Our young artists take ownership of their own life experiences by visualising their beliefs, identity, thoughts and emotions. Students will meet artists, craftspeople and designers, visit galleries and art spaces and experience all areas of the creative industries.

From EYFS through to KS4 the curriculum is designed to develop:

- Skills and proficiency in the use of a wide range of materials
- Teaching students how to strengthen their ability to think creatively
- Develop their self-esteem, confidence and self-awareness
- Strengthen their thinking and analytical skills, which are transferable to all subject areas
- Understanding the life experiences and the impact that artists, craftspeople and designers have had on society and throughout human history
- Incorporating the Nishkam Virtues into their everyday personal development and art practice.

The Nishkam curriculum for Art, Craft and Design will prepare students for a quickly developing and increasingly global and visually complex world.

The ideal art, craft & design student is:

- Passionate about creating and experiencing all forms of art & design
- · Regularly visits galleries and takes an active interest in the work of historical and contemporary artists
- Independently learns and develops new skills, techniques and how to use different materials
- Keeps a sketchbook full of ideas, notes, sketches, drawings and paintings
- Learns from mistakes and sees the process of failure, accidents and imperfections as a necessary journey towards competency and creativity.
- Is open to new ideas and concepts and is flexible enough to view the world through other people's eyes.

The curriculum is necessarily aspirational, focused on excellence and on securing in all learners a love of learning through the acquisition of knowledge, the study and practice of faith, and an understanding of the world around them. One aspect of the curriculum is the school ethos of the golden threads. Students will learn via collaboration, peace, forgiveness, and love through each unit of work.

Implementation:

In the Primary Phase the schemes of learning are guided by the Kapow Scheme of Work for Art & Design. The curriculum is built around essential knowledge, understanding and key skills. These are broken into year group expectations and show clear continuity and progress.

The Kapow Art & Design scheme of work is designed with five strands that run throughout:

- Making things Formal elements (line, shape, tone, texture, pattern, colour)
- Knowledge of artists
- Evaluating and Analysing
- Generating Ideas
- Using Sketchbooks

These strands are revisited in every unit and students can learn and practise skills discretely. The knowledge and skills from these units are then applied throughout the other units in the scheme. Key skills are revisited again and again with increasing complexity in a spiral curriculum model. This allows students to retrieve and build on their previous learning.

In the Primary phase, we block the delivery of subject content for Art & Design/Design Technology/History/Geography so that we can limit the risk of what is known as cognitive overload - the process where an individual's working memory is overloaded and unable to process new information effectively due to the amount of information it is being required to process. Block teaching allows for all subjects to be taught in equal equity and have quality focused time. It allows us to ensure that no single subject or subjects are given reduced attention and that no subjects are missed from the curriculum. We ensure that there is full coverage of the knowledge and skills required in each block for Art & Design/Design Technology/History/Geography across each year group, as per the Kapow scheme.

It also allows for staff to focus on quality implementation, as the intent of each block is pre-determined. Staff spend time ensuring there is effective building of sequential knowledge, with shorter time periods between adding new knowledge to existing knowledge. We also provide meaningful opportunities to revisit, recap and assess following a teaching sequence. We believe block teaching also allows for staff to address any misconceptions quickly and within a block. We recognise that cognitive overload could be a key barrier to preventing the full learning of subject content for our pupils if we expect them to continuously process content from 14 different subjects every single week. We are aware that if we can limit the amount of new information from different subjects that the pupils must hold in their short-term memory then this will have obvious benefits. This approach is grounded in careful research and neuroscience.

Our curriculum in the Secondary Phase provides students with an enriched experience in which to work with the broadest range of materials and contexts. Working with different materials, processes, tools and technologies sparks pupils' curiosity, provides intrinsic motivation, pride in their work and their developing skills. Engaging with different design contexts and materials creates highly engaged and motivated learners as they become able to explore the wider world and their place within it. Providing stretch and challenge encourages students to strive for their best, developing increased confidence with each creative obstacle they overcome. We aim to provide an environment in which students are happy to take risks, ask themselves questions about their creative journey and respond positively to both staff and their peers. Students learn problem solving skills by experimenting, making mistakes, evaluating and making plans for future success. This skill is transferrable across all subjects and areas of their life. By being given the opportunity to experiment and try a variety of disciplines and materials, it is our goal that students will find their strength and talent within the fields of art, craft and design and will develop confidence and self-awareness.

Curriculum Overview

Rec | Early Learning Goal: Physical Development

- Progress towards a more fluent style of moving, with developing control and grace.
- •Students develop their small motor skills so that they can use a range of tools competently, safely and confidently.
- •Use their core muscle strength to achieve a good posture when sitting at a table or sitting on the floor.

Fine Motor Skills

- •Use a range of small tools, including scissors, paintbrushes and cutlery.
- Hold a pencil effectively in preparation for fluent writing using the tripod grip in almost all cases.
- •Begin to show accuracy and care when drawing.

Early Learning Goal: Expressive Arts & Design

- Explore, use and refine a variety of artistic effects to express their ideas and feelings.
- •Return to and build on their previous learning, refining ideas and developing their ability to represent them.
- Create collaboratively, sharing ideas, resources and skills.

Creating with Materials

- •Safely use and explore a variety of materials, tools and techniques, experimenting with colour, design, texture, form and function.
- •Share their creations, explaining the process they have used.

Year	Half Term 1	Half Term 2	Half Term 3	Half Term 4	Half Term 5	Half Term 6
1	Drawing:		Sculpture and 3D:		Craft and design:	
	Make your mark		Paper play		Woven wonders	
2	Craft and design:		Painting and mixed media:		Sculpture and 3D:	
	Map it out		Life in colour		Clay houses	

3	Drawing: Growing artists	Craft and design: Ancient Egyptian scrolls	Sculpture and 3D: Abstract shape and space	
4	Drawing : Power Prints	Sculpture and 3D: Mega materials	Craft and design: Fabric of nature	
5	Painting and mixed media: Portraits	Drawing: I need space	Sculpture and 3D: Interactive installation	
6	Craft and design: Photo opportunity	Drawing: Make my voice heard	Sculpture and 3D: Making memories	

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7	YR7 BASELINE	ASSESSMENT	INDIGENOUS ART:	PERSPECTIVE	BEES	LANDSCAPE
	FORMAL ELEMENT'	S INTRODUCTION	DRAGONS	Introduction to	A mixed media	PHOTOGRAPHY
			Understand what the	perspective.	project exploring	
	POP ART PROJ	ECT/COLOUR	word indigenous	Looking at practical	the importance of	Landscape
	Project which teaches	students about the	means and who	uses and technical	insect and bees in	Photography
	Pop Art Movement. Stu	udents research	indigenous people	understanding of	the natural	including forced
	artists and colour theor	y. They will complete	are. They will study	vanishing points, the	environment.	perspective. Learn
	Venn diagrams compo	_	history, culture and	history of	Students will use	how to use different
	Haring copy, and a KA	T1 assessment in the	Faith and how	perspective and our	mono printing,	settings on a
	Pop art style.		dragons have been	understanding of	painting, collage,	camera, how to
	Brief: Create word art in	. ,	incorporated into art	drawing buildings	drawing and wire	present for print
	Black Curriculum: Study	y the work of artist	and craft across the	etc Covering 1-	sculpture.	and how to share
	Jean-Michel Basquiat		world and their place	point and 2-point		images.
	Cultural Capital: Impac	•	in art history and	perspective.	Brief: use all	
	movement on art, pop	ular culture, and	culture.		experiments to	Brief: Create a
	media.			Brief: Draw a fantasy	make a mixed	photoshoot using all
			Brief: Create a	1-point perspective	media collage	skills gained in this
	LIN	<u>IE</u>	dragon eye made			project

Students are introduced to the formal	using tone and oil	scene of inside a	inside a 3d	
element line. Students will look at mark	pastels	room.	hexagon.	Artists: Ansel
making, negative and positive spaces, and	Cultural Capital:			Adams, Galen
Notan design theory.	China Native	Cultural Capital	Artists: Jan Karpíšek,	Rowell, Eliot Porter,
Brief: Create a Notan inspired cut out	American Art, First	Exposing students to	Cornelia Hesse-	Michael Kenna,
drawing.	Nations, Aztecs,	essential visual	Honegger, Maria	Sebastião Salgado,
Cultural Capital: Art from Japan, spiritual	Aboriginals etc	literacy skills, such as	Sibylla Merian, Sarah	Cath Simard, Arin
concepts of balance & harmony.		perspective	Simblet	Babnik
		drawing, which are		
		foundational in art,		
		design,		
		architecture, and		
		engineering.		

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8	PINCH POT MONSTERS	PINCH POT	IDENTITY (SIKH ART)	PORTRAITURE	CUBISM	PERSPECTIVE
		MONSTERS		(PHOTOGRAPHY)		
	Short clay project		A project which		This unit explores a	Develop an
	learning clay basics	Complete painting	teaches students	Brief: Take series of	key and influential	understanding of
	and hand building	after firing.	how to mix colours to	self-portraits and	movement which	architecture as art.
	techniques. Props		paint self-portraits	photojournalist	has influenced	Students will focus
	and fantasy from	TONE	including graphical	images of others.	much of 20 th	on
	films	Short project	elements that		Century European	3-point, 4-point and
		teaching students	visualise and explore	Artists: Margaret	Art. Students	5-point perspective
	Brief: Build a fantasy	how to develop	their own personal	Burke White, Irving	develop knowledge	drawing
	pinch pot monster	their tonal drawing	and cultural	Penn, Dorothea	and understand the	
	Cultural Capital:	and shading skills.	Experiences.	Lange, Richard	relevance of still life	Brief: Draw a final
	Students study the	Students will explore		Avedon, Steve	studies and its	piece fantasy 3/4/5
	work of Ai Wei, mass	how different artists	Brief: Create a self-	McCurry, Annie	impact on an artist's	-point perspective
	production, Maria	use tone in their	portrait which reflects	Leibovitz, Campbell	development. Their	scene of a street or
	Martinez, Augusta	artwork and learn	the student's	Addy, Dana	KAT assessment	spaceship scene
	Savage,	how to use these	personality and	Scruggs	looks at the	
		techniques	experiences using		Weeping Woman,	Cultural Capital:
	EMBROIDERY	themselves.	imagery and text.	Cultural Capital: In	Guernica and	By exploring
	PROJECT		Black Curriculum:	portrait	impact of war	architectural and
	Develop an	Brief:	Amy Sherald,	photography,		imaginative spaces
	understanding of			cultural capital		inspired by global

embroidery as an art form and some different embroidery artists. Students will learn embroidery techniques.

Brief: Think of what the most important thing in your life is, create a design and embroider it onto fabric.

Artists: Helen Wilde, Vera Shimunia, Giselle Quinto, Humayrah Bint Altaf, Adam Pritchett, Trisha Thompson Adams, Sarah K. Benning, Danielle Clough **Cultural Capital:**

Textiles, embroidery artists and women's art/craft (their place in history, how and why its overlooked and its importance)

Artists: Graham Bradshaw, Leonardo da Vinci, Monica Lee, Rai Sinah Tattal, Käthe Kollwitz, Adonna Khare

Cultural Capital: Students explore light, shadow, and form through diverse artists like Adonna Khare and Soorai Sudevan, connecting visual expression with global storytelling and identity.

Kehinde Wiley, Elizabeth Catlett **Cultural Capital:**

This process encourages appreciation of diverse backgrounds, promotes selfawareness, and fosters empathy. It also links students to alobal artistic traditions, enriching their understanding of how art express's identity and culture. **Artists**: Jatinder

Durhailay, Amrita Sher-Gil, Singh Twins,

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becomes both the lens and the subject - a way of seeing and a story being told.

Brief: Create a mixed media collage of a still life of musical instruments, bottles, etc.

Cultural Capital: Impact of the Cubism on world art

Artists: Pablo Picasso, George Sonia Delauney

landmarks and futuristic design, learners expand both their technical ability and their cultural awareness building visual confidence and broadening their creative horizons.

Braque

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9	NATURE (LEAVES)	ISSUE BASE	D GRAPHICS	CUBISM (CATCH UP	PHOTOGRAPHY
				(theory lessons	only 25-26 only)	
	Painting/colour skills	A project which allow				Stop Motion
	project using	experiment with a var			HOTOMONTAGE	Animation Project
	colouring pencils,		npetency when using		fantasy and its place	
	watercolour paints		udents explore a wide	_	why and how artists	Explore the world or
	and acrylic paints.		s in their work including		d what it says about	stop motion
	A virtual visit to Kew	black lives matter, sup	. —		ety. Experiment with	animation using
	Gardens and the	global economy/rece		collage, drawin	g and oil pastel.	paper, plasticine
	V&A. Students	banks etc (Use Hop	e to Nope exhibition			and iPads to create
	explore Islamic	books and images)		Brief: Create a Surrea	l oil pastel eye	and animate a
	Patterns, the link with			drawing		story.
	unity of God and	Brief: Create a poster	•			
	Nature	current social issue (o		Artists: Rene Magritte		Artists: Aardman
	Brief: Paint a leaf	should be created. S	•	Remedios Varo, Euge		Studios, Nick Park
	using different	design and create the	•	Hoch, Sarah Eisenlohr	r, Aynam Jabr	etc
	mediums	to the fourth plinth co	•			
	Artists: Pierre-Joseph	debate about statues	s and the role they			
	Redouté, Margaret	play in our society.	. Davida avras Kristava a ka			
	Me, Lorenzo Durán,	Artists: Shepard Fairey				
	Florent Stosskopf,	BLM movement	sts and the impact of			
	Rupy C. Tut	Cultural Capital: Expe	rion cos of pooplo			
		around the world.	nerices of people			
		around me wond.				

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		<u>ign: Component 1 (Port</u>	<u>iolio)</u>			
	Unit 1: Close Up (30 w	eeks = 3 terms)				
	idea(s) to the realisat	ion of intentions. This wil	I give students the opp	ortunity to demonstrate	ne journey from initial eng e, through an extended n across their course of s	creative response,
	Skills/techniques built	into the SOL				
	 Annotation and a 	observational drawing, nalysis lours, acrylic, oil, iPad e	•	al etc.)		
10					nclude a sustained projetork undertaken during th	
	How it's assessed No time limit 96 marks 60% of GCSE Non-exam assessmentake place in June of	` ,	d by the school/college	e and moderated by AG	QA during a visit. Modero	ation will normally
	The exams and non-e • AO1: Develop • AO2: Refine we processes. • AO3: Record in	exam assessment will me ideas through investiga ork by exploring ideas, s deas, observations and	easure how students ho tions, demonstrating c electing and experime insights relevant to inte	ave achieved the follow ritical understanding of enting with appropriate entions as work progress	media, materials, techn	res: niques and

Year	Half Term 1	Half Term 2	Half Term 3	Half Term 4	Half Term 5	Half Term 6
	GCSE Photograp		otography: Component 1			
	Skills unit (6-8 we	•	rtraiture (25 weeks = $2 \frac{1}{2}$	terms)		
	Exploring all skills relat					
	camera, transferring	<u> </u>	ed project developed in			<u> </u>
	processing and e		al engagement with an id			
	images.		ity to demonstrate, throu areas of knowledge, skills			
	Images produced wil		areas of knowledge, skills	ana, or or a erstarialing	morn across men coorse	, or stody.
	in Component 1 pr					
	What's Assessed?					
	A portfolio that in tota	al shows explicit cove	rage of the four assessme	ent objectives. It must in	iclude a sustained proje	ct evidencing the
		gagement to the rec	lisation of intentions and	a selection of further w	ork undertaken during tl	he student's course
	of study.					
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10	How it's assessed • No time limit					
	• 96 marks					
	60% of GCSE					
		t (NEA) set and mark	ed by the school/college	and moderated by AG	QA during a visit. Moder	ation will normally
	take place in June of	the second year.		·	•	·
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			neasure how students ho			/es:
	•	_	gations, demonstrating c , selecting and experime	•		niques and
	processes.	ork by exploining idea:	, selecting and expenime	ining with appropriate	media, materiais, rechi	liques and
		deas, observations ar	d insights relevant to inte	entions as work progress	es	
			ngful response that realise			of visual language.
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	GCSE Art, Craft & Desi	gn: Component 1	Art, Craft & Design ar	d Photography			
	(Portfolio)		Component 2: Extern	<u>ally set assignment</u>			
	Unit 2: Me, Myself and	•				N/A	
	Students complete a		,	gnment provides stude	nts with		
	work resulting from ac			emonstrate, through an			
	and experiments; skills	•		sponse, their ability to a			
	mini and/or foundation		_	eas of knowledge, skills			
	to gallery, museum or independent study.	SHE VISHS OFFIC	point.	onse to their selected :	siariing		
	independent stody.		point.				
	Students explore the t	heme of Me, Myself	The extended creative	e response must explic	itly		
	and I. This will be a pri	•		bility to draw together	,		
	project exploring typo	ography, print making		skill and/or understand			
	and digital work. Pupi	•		rith their selected startin			
	range of small experin	ments and final		ation of intentions in the	e 10		
	responses.		hours of supervised ti	me.			
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11	GCSE Photography: C	omponent 1	•	heir chosen starting po anment paper relating :			
	Unit 2: Experimental Pl	•		ing coverage of all four			
	(16 weeks = 1 term)	nologiapily	assessment objective	-			
	TBC		How it's assessed				
			 Preparatory per 	eriod followed by 10 ho	urs of		
			supervised tim	е			
		ssessed?	96 marks				
	A portfolio that in tota	•	 40% of GCSE 				
	coverage of the four			1/0/540			
	objectives. It must incl			nt (NEA) set by AQA; mo			
	project evidencing th	•	_	nd moderated by AQA	_		
	engagement to the read and a selection of fur		of the second year.	ll normally take place in	1 JUNE		
	during the student's c		or the second year.				
	doming the stodern's C	Jourse of study.					
	How it's assessed						

- No time limit
- 96 marks
- 60% of GCSE

GCSE Photography: Component 1 (Portfolio)

Unit 2: Experimental Photographic processes (16 weeks = 1 term)

Students complete a selection of further work resulting from activities such as trials and experiments; skills-based workshops; mini and/or foundation projects; responses to gallery, museum or site visits and independent study.

Pupils will produce a range of small experiments and final responses.

What's Assessed?

A portfolio that in total shows explicit coverage of the four assessment objectives. It must include a sustained project evidencing the journey from initial engagement to the realisation of intentions and a selection of further work undertaken during the student's course of study.

How it's assessed

- No time limit
- 96 marks
- 60% of GCSE

The exams and non-exam assessment will measure how students have achieved the following assessment objectives:

- AO1: Develop ideas through investigations, demonstrating critical understanding of sources.
- AO2: Refine work by exploring ideas, selecting and experimenting with appropriate media, materials, techniques and processes.
- AO3: Record ideas, observations and insights relevant to intentions as work progresses.
- AO4 Present a personal and meaningful response that realises intentions and demonstrates understanding of visual language.

The final piece is made over 2 days (10 hours) exam conditions.

Exhibition and moderation preparation

Design Technology:Points from the Design Technology Curriculum (KS3) that are covered in are art indicated above using the code below.

	Design-
D1	Research and exploration, such as the study of different cultures, to identify and understand user needs
D2	Identify and solve their own design problems and understand how to reformulate problems given to them
D3	Develop specifications to inform the design of innovative, functional, appealing products that respond to needs in a variety of situations
D4	Use a variety of approaches [for example, biomimicry and user-centred design], to generate creative ideas and avoid stereotypical responses
D5	Develop and communicate design ideas using annotated sketches, detailed plans, 3-D and mathematical modelling, oral and digital presentations and computer-based tools
	Make-
M1	Select from and use specialist tools, techniques, processes, equipment and machinery precisely, including computer-aided manufacture
M2	Select from and use a wider, more complex range of materials, components and ingredients, taking into account their properties
	Evaluate-
E1	Analyse the work of past and present professionals and others to develop and broaden their understanding
E2	Investigate new and emerging technologies
E3	Test, evaluate and refine their ideas and products against a specification, taking into account the views of intended users and other interested groups
E4	Understand developments in design and technology, its impact on individuals, society and the environment, and the responsibilities of designers, engineers and technologists
	Technical knowledge-
T1	Understand and use the properties of materials and the performance of structural elements to achieve functioning solutions
T2	Understand how more advanced mechanical systems used in their products enable changes in movement and force
Т3	Understand how more advanced electrical and electronic systems can be powered and used in their products [for example, circuits with heat, light, sound and movement as inputs and outputs]
T4	Apply computing and use electronics to embed intelligence in products that respond to inputs [for example, sensors], and control outputs [for example, actuators], using programmable components [for example, microcontrollers].
	Cooking and nutrition-
C1	Understand and apply the principles of nutrition and health

C2	Cook a repertoire of predominantly savoury dishes so that they are able to feed themselves and others a healthy and varied diet
C3	Become competent in a range of cooking techniques [for example, selecting and preparing ingredients; using utensils and electrical equipment; applying heat in different ways; using awareness of taste, texture and smell to decide how to season dishes and combine ingredients; adapting and using their own recipes]
C4	Understand the source, seasonality and characteristics of a broad range of ingredients.

Enrichment Opportunities:

Our curriculum extends beyond the National Curriculum and includes a wide range of enriching experiences and opportunities both within and beyond the school day. Students are provided with a rounded, culturally rich education through activities that enhance their learning.

Students can develop their potential to the maximum in a learning environment that is both challenging and enjoyable. They get involved in several cross-curricular activities across the year. Art club gives pupil additional time to focus on the subject, leading to skills development which can be translated back to the classroom. It also gives them the freedom to try new things. Creative homework projects encourage self-expression and builds students' confidence. Art enrichment days provide valuable space where students can continue to develop their own individual programme of work. Art displays held around school give students the opportunity to reflect upon their work.

Students will have the opportunity to attend trips to museums and galleries linked to the projects they are completing as signposted above. The planned trips for this academic year include:

Year 7: Tate Modern

This visit will support the learning which takes place in year 7 and help prepare for future learning in Year 8 and 9.

Year 8: V&A

This visit is linked to the self-portrait/identity project which examines the concept of identity and impact of Sikh artists and craftspeople. Pupils will also look at embroidery and fashion and visit other areas of the museum which cover faith and belief.

Year 10 & Year 11: Tate Britain

This trip forms evidence of a gallery visit for the unit 'Close Up'. All work produced from this visit fulfils AQA criteria for 'other work' and will help pupils to develop their own personal themes further.

Year 10 &11: THE CREATIVE CAREER SHOWCASE at London Excel

Expo of UK universities that offer undergraduate courses in the creative industries. An opportunity for students to explore the undergraduate courses and careers which are available in the creative industries. This will take place every 2 years.

• Year 10 : National Portrait Gallery

This trip forms evidence of a gallery visit for unit the unit 'Me, myself and I'. All work produced from this visit fulfils AQA criteria for 'other work' and will help pupils to develop their own personal themes further.

Visiting artists will also give students the opportunity to develop a dialogue with practitioners and reflect on their own artist practise. Art clubs at KS3 and KS4 will provide extra study time and further opportunities to experiment with different materials and resources outside of lessons. Displaying student work and having regular exhibitions of artwork will allow students to celebrate their achievements in a whole school capacity. Students studying GCSE Art in Year 11 will have an opportunity to visit the Tate Modern in the Autumn 2 term.

Our Sixth Form students can continue the development of their artistic knowledge and skills through the Sixth Form enrichment programme. Students can select Art as an enrichment option, giving them 2 hours a week to participate in artistic projects.

Year 6 to 7 Transition:

Over the course of the academic year there is regular discussion between the Curriculum Leads. There are opportunities for cross-phase leaders to spend time in classrooms and observe art lessons across each phase. Secondary Phase Art teachers have previously taught in the Primary Phase and are familiar with the Kapow scheme of work. Students have opportunities to share art projects with each other and the Primary Phase visit the secondary art room to look at displays and meet the specialist teacher. This provides the opportunity for collaboration on content studied across the Key Stages and the skills that are developed. This ensures that at Key Stage 3 we can build on and develop the foundations laid at Key Stage 2.

The Key Stage 3 curriculum is designed with progression in mind with the Virtues and Golden Threads at its heart. At the beginning of year 7 all students complete a baseline assessment which ensures that subject specific data can be used to assess their progress across KS3-4. Students are also asked to complete an MS FORMS questionnaire to collect information on what types of projects, materials, skills and knowledge they have experienced in primary school because not all students transitioning into the Secondary Phase are from the Primary Phase. Collecting this information helps build a picture of their experiences so that tasks, projects and skills in KS3 can be better differentiated and adapted. The Key Stage 3 curriculum is designed to build upon skills that that already exist whilst closing gaps for students who may not have these skills.

Impact:

Evidence of work will show a range of strands explored, links across the curriculum and work pitched to support and challenge a range of abilities and starting points. Formative assessment is an integral part of our approach to Teaching and Learning.

In the Primary phase, teachers use assessment for learning within lessons to provide live feedback to allow pupils to deepen their understanding and identify gaps in knowledge and skills. Knowledge reviews are planned for spaced retrieval and allow for misconceptions to be addressed and further embed pupils understanding of key knowledge, skills and vocabulary. The progression of skills and knowledge allows teachers to assess the impact over the course of a unit, year and across phases. The scheme of learning is used to identify prior links and future learning which informs teacher assessment and allows building blocks of learning to further develop schemas within topics and across subjects.

Summative assessments are used alongside knowledge organisers to assess the impact of learning at the end of a unit. This in turn informs future teaching adaptations, based on misconceptions and gaps in knowledge and skills. Enquiry questions are used to assess the impact of the teaching of knowledge, skills and vocabulary by allowing pupils to apply their understanding through reflections and critical thinking.

In the Secondary Phase, we use weekly cumulative formative diagnostic assessments (in class or for homework) to ensure that students are consistently retrieving their knowledge of different components. The purpose of this is to ensure all knowledge is retained (and any gaps are identified and addressed promptly) and to inform teachers' planning. Using this style of assessment, we will make use of the advantages of spaced practice as well as allowing students to be able to apply their knowledge to a wide variety of contexts.

Students will also sit a summative assessment every full term. This assessment will be cumulative and will assess not only what the students have learned over the previous term, but also their understanding of all relevant material previously taught. Staff are supported to mark these accurately and post-assessment moderation also takes place to ensure the validity of the data. All data is analysed centrally (not by teachers) and each Curriculum Leader is given a report outlining the areas of strength and weakness. Curriculum Leaders use this information to inform future planning, support with additional interventions and set changes.

Most projects will produce final outcomes or final pieces. Sketchbook work and loose paperwork will allow students to build a body of work and skills which cover all formal elements and ultimately prepare them for the rigour of GCSE and beyond.

All GCSE coursework and exam work will be moderated by colleagues from Nishkam High School Birmingham and colleagues from local schools within Hounslow to ensure accuracy of marking. Exemplar materials provided by the Exam board will also be cross-referenced against the work of students at NSWL and ensure accuracy of marking.