

## **Product Design GCSE Curriculum Overview**

Rationale: The KS4 curriculum is designed to utilise the skills developed in KS3 therefore ensuring students have the plethora of skills and knowledge to tackle the GCSE specification but more importantly be able to transfer these skills to the world of work. Students will have a wide range of practical ability to tackle a complex product, be able to modify the product for the specific individuals needs and ensure it can be commercially viable.

| Term/Length<br>of Time          | Outline<br>Students practical and theoretical<br>knowledge of  | Assessment/Teacher<br>Feedback Opportunities  | Homework and Literacy resources   |
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| Y11<br>September<br>to December | NEA 50% of the overall GCSE grade –<br>assessment began at the end of Year 10.<br>Students work through the design<br>process of designing and creating a<br>solution to the task that was given by<br>the AQA examination board.<br>Researching the task – looking at<br>existing products<br>Researching the consumers needs and<br>wants.<br>Designing and annotating a range of<br>design ideas. | Teachers will not be<br>assessing any work other<br>than mock examinations<br>and the NEA. Students will<br>be given opportunities<br>within lesson to improve<br>upon their work but due to<br>the assessment regulations<br>we cannot provide them<br>with gradings of their NEA. | Minimum homework expectation - to be set on G4S         Students throughout year 11 will be expected to remain in line with deadlines that will be issued for each aspect of their NEA.         NEA outline from the exam board -         https://www.aqa.org.uk/subjects/design-and-         technology/gcse/design-and-technology-8552/specification-at-a-glance         Optional homework tasks and Literacy resources         Exam preparation         https://www.aqa.org.uk/subjects/design-and-         technology/gcse/design-and-technology-8552/assessment-         resources |
| January to<br>April             | <ul> <li>NEA - Planning and modelling the final product. Students will be working in the workshop to model the concept that they have designed.</li> <li>Final evaluation – evaluating the success of the model and relating this back to the original specification.</li> </ul>   | Further verbal feedback<br>from staff regarding<br>amendments of students<br>NEA.   | <ul> <li>Minimum homework expectation - to be set on G4S</li> <li>Continued work on NEA – design and planning work to be</li> <li>completed for Christmas and the modelling plus the evaluation for</li> <li>the Easter holidays.</li> <li>Optional homework tasks and Literacy resources</li> <li>Continued examination revision.</li> </ul>   |

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| April       | Exam preparation and Revision –       | Mock exams will provide | Minimum homework expectation - to be set on G4S   |
| onwards     | Exam is 50% of their final GCSE       | teacher feedback on     | Exam revision and practice examination papers –   |
| until final | grade. Students will use their lesson | theoretical progress.   | https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/examspecs/zby2bdm  |
| examination | time to work through exam style       |                         |   |
|             | questions from past papers. They      |                         | Optional homework tasks and Literacy resources  |
|             | will have revision lessons on the     |                         | https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/examspecs/zby2bdm  |
|             | course content to ensure they are     |                         |   |
| l           | exam ready.                           |                         |   |

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