

Photography
Year 11 GCSE Practical Examination Plan

Key Dates

Practical Examination Portfolio: January 1st to April 23rd

10 Hour Practical Examination: Monday 23rd April 8.30am to 3.45pm

During the course of the exam period which began on January 1st pupils produce a portfolio of work based on one of the themes provided by the exam board. The themes are open to interpretation as students are expected to interpret them in their own way. During the final examination session on April 23rd they will complete the portfolio and cannot add to it after this time.

Work to Complete	Quantity
Detailed visual mind map outlining how the pupil will develop ideas based on their chosen theme including ideas for each of the 6 sets including photographers they will study, locations, props, people they will photograph etc.	1 PowerPoint slide
Analysis of 2 photographers' images using the photography analysis formula resource	2 detailed analysis
A minimum of 6 sets of photos taken over the course of the exam period. Only the best photos are to be included. Each set must show a link to the previous set and links to the research undertaken at the start of the Exam process (information on mind map). To ensure quality photo swill be taken in the studio so pupils must be organised and bring the props etc. required for their shoots	Minimum of 6 sets of photos – at least 6 photos per set, plus a separate final image relating to a real world context such as a magazine cover, movie poster or book cover
Each set must be annotated explaining the pupils' ideas behind the images, the process they undertook when taking the photos and their understanding of the key elements in photography (Genre/composition/perspective/lighting/mood etc.)	Each slide within the 6 sets of photos must be annotated
A research and planning page for each final piece explaining how the pupil will use 1 of their images in a real world context e.g. magazine cover, cookbook cover, greeting card, movie poster, brand website	Each of the final images must have a separate research and planning page
A final edited image for each of the sets	1 final image per set
Each final image will be evaluated	1 evaluation per final image

Key Resources

The art rooms are open every day at lunch and after school for pupils to use the computers. Pupils need to share their exam work with themselves on Google Drive to work on from home.