

# Textiles

## **What is GCSE Art Textiles all about?**

Textiles offers you the opportunity to develop your painting and drawing skills as well as learning textiles skills which will enable you to express yourself using fabrics and threads. If you like using texture, pattern and colour then this course will suit you.

## **Why study Textiles?**

- Textiles is creative, exciting and fun
- It combines theory and practice
- Studying Textiles will teach you transferable skills such as research, problem-solving, thinking skills, designing, analysing and evaluating as well as practical skills
- Studying Textiles will give you a range of opportunities for your future

## **What topics will I cover?**

You will research a variety of textile designers to help you develop your own ideas, produce a range of experimental samples using different textiles techniques including weaving, felt making and silk painting and you will learn to use a sewing machine. If you choose Textiles, you will study a range of topics and develop final pieces that show off your skills.

## **How am I assessed?**

An external examination will be taken at the end of the course. The coursework is worth 60% of the final mark and the exam will be worth 40%.

## **What examination board will I follow?**

Edexcel

## **Is there any additional information about this course?**

You will be required to purchase sketchbooks, an art portfolio and some Textiles materials during the two-year course. Although not essential, it would be an advantage for students to have their own basic sewing machine at home. Teachers can advise about the best kind to buy.

## **Who should I speak to for further information?**

Mrs Kelly or Ms Owens

