### **Highcliffe Sixth**

## A Level

# PRE A LEVEL COURSE INFORMATION & TASK

#### Course Structure:

Year 12 begins with skills based starter projects, followed by a mini and a main project leading to the rehearsal exam experience beginning in February.

The Rehearsal Exam is a taster, to prepare for the Externally Set Assignment in Year 13. It consists of a practice run of what essentially is a mini project, consisting of 10-12 week investigation with 10 hour supervised exam period at the end.

The Rehearsal Exam is designed to give you the opportunity to respond to a starting point of interest (given by your teacher). This will take form of a project and be resolved in a 10 hour practical exam at the end of the 12 week investigation. You will develop a strong understanding of the requirements to cover all four assessment objectives throughout this personal investigation, with an insight into the time restraints of the formal Externally Set Assignment - Component 2 in Year 13. The Rehearsal Exam work can then be used as a starting point to inform your own 'Personal Investigation' – Component 1. You will have at this point in the course begun to develop your own style and areas of interest within your subject, enabling you to produce a longer more sustained project.

#### Component 1: Personal Investigation 96 marks - 60% of A Level

You have a choice of starting points/or the opportunity to write your own brief or starting point. You are required to research images using your own investigations. Practical work is presented in sketchbook/boards/digitally which show the clear development of work towards a final response influenced by the work of others. The aim of the project is to meet the four assessment objectives used in marking the work, these cover: drawing, use of media, experimentation, the ability to develop an idea/concept, be influenced by the work of other artist and designers as well as producing a final response. Annotations should be included in your sketchbook. You will be encouraged to develop your own ideas with the help and guidance of your teacher. There is a structured extended response of between 1000 and 3000 words of continuous prose required as part of the personal investigation. This investigation will be an in-depth study that demonstrates your ability to construct and develop a sustained line of reasoning from an initial starting point to a final realisation.

#### Component 2: Externally Set Assignment 96 marks - 40% of A Level

Preparatory period + 15 hours supervised time

The Externally Set Assignment, set by the exam board, offers a choice of project titles to be completed within a 10-12 week period. The work will progress as in Component 1; however you will be required to work independently and under examination conditions for a final 15 hours developing outcome/s.

#### SUMMER TRANSITION WORK (Hand in wk 11th -15th Sept 23)

We are so excited to hear that you are hopefully going to be joining us to study A Level Product Design.

This booklet will give you a brief introduction to the course and provide you with a task to complete over summer, it should get you starting to think about the course content so that we can hit the ground running in September.

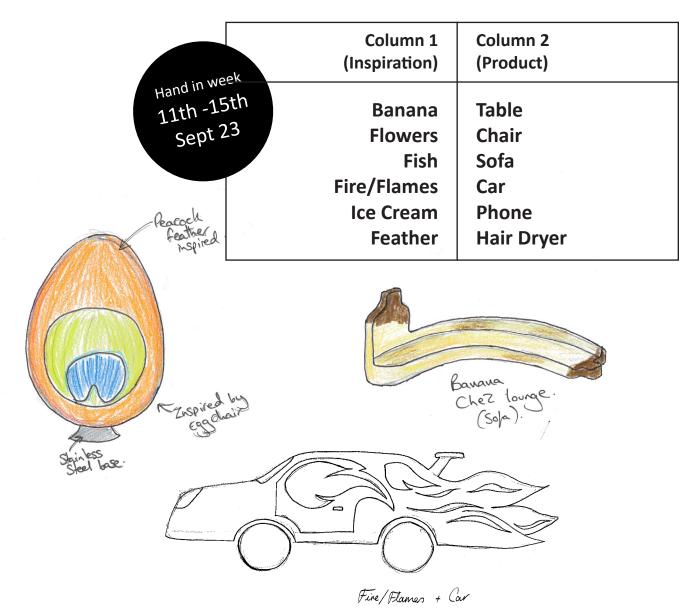
#### Pick & Mix Design

You task is to choose an item from column 1 which is your inspiration and combine it with column 2 which is an existing product, to create a new product.

You have to use each of the items from each column once, leaving you with 6 different designs. For example, Banana and hair drier.

Designs should be refined, by going over in black fine liner pen and colour.

Extension- Card model your favourite design concept.



#### CAREER PATHWAYS in ART & DESIGN

Studying an ADT subject at A level will equip you with the skills you need to specialise in a creative field of your choice either through an Apprenticeship scheme, University route or to pursue a career in the creative industry.

#### Apprenticeship Schemes: www.apprenticeships.gov.uk

#### **University Routes:**

Royal College of Art University of the Arts London Arts University Bournemouth Loughborough University University of Oxford University of Brighton Edinburgh College of Arts (ECA)

#### **Creative Careers:**

www.wonderwhat.co.uk

**Graphic Designer UX Designer Fashion Designer Industrial Designer** Product Designer **Jewellery Maker Fine Artist Ilustrator** Animator **Interior Designer** Architect **Film Maker Marketing Manager** Web Publishing Landscape Artist **Florist** Teacher Model maker **Automotive Designer Art Director** Ceramicist **Trend Forecaster** Journalist **Social Media Designer** Copywriter

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