

ART DEPARTMENT NEWS

THE ROYAL SCHOOL, WOLVERHAMPTON

HAVE A GREAT HALF TERM - SPRING IS COMING!

It's been another busy term in the Art department. The Year 11 students have been working incredibly hard on their final outcomes for their Unit 2 submission prior to their pending deadline and the Year 12 students are already busy on their new project following their mock examinations. A group of students in KS4 and KS5 were lucky enough to view the British Art Show last week. This is a national touring exhibition. It was great for them to be out and about viewing Art work in the flesh. We're currently exploring the idea of taking a group of students to London to view a number of exhibitions so watch out for further news on this shortly. In an attempt to celebrate the work of students more frequently we have started posting on our instagram page. If you don't already follow us, we'd really appreciate your likes and comments. You can find us at [@royalwolverhamptonschool](#).

We hope you enjoy this edition, have a fabulous half term.

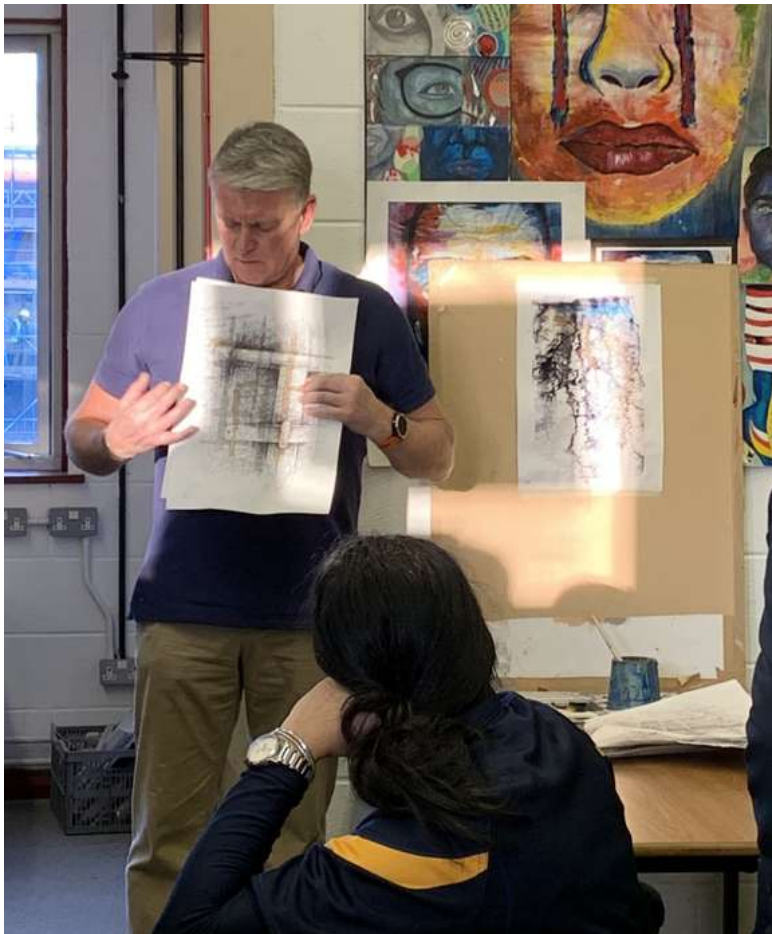
Art Department



**STAY TUNED UNTIL THE END
OF THE NEWSLETTER -
THERE ARE SOME EXCITING
NATIONWIDE COMPETITIONS
TO ENTER WITH THE ROYAL
ACADEMY OF ARTS AND
CBBC!**

ARTIST WORKSHOP - IAN MURPHY

The Art department were lucky enough to secure an Artist in residence in school on Wednesday 12th January. Ian Murphy is a practising fine artist who paints and draws in response to his travels. This week he was in school working alongside GCSE Art students from Years 10 and 11. Students were given the opportunity to produce several pieces of work throughout the day working in the style of Ian the artist, learning new skills and techniques to enhance their portfolios. Students were challenged to produce 4 pieces of work before the end of the workshop and were thus pushed out of their comfort zones having to work with great speed. Students really enjoyed the day and we are proud of what they have achieved.



YEAR 7 WATERCOLOUR PAINTING



This half term year 7 have been working on their painting skills. They have carefully used watercolour paints to create colourful pieces of work from inspiration images.



NEW PROCESSES IN THE DEPARTMENT

One of our year 13 students studying A Level art has been experimenting with new processes in the art department recently, after taking a textile art approach to her final project.

We bought some new materials to experiment with screen printing and heat transfer printing onto fabrics. So far we've been loving seeing the different outcomes - taking risks in art can often achieve fabulous results.

We're excited to see how we can develop these new processes further to benefit A Level students.



YEAR 11 REMINDER!

Year 11 students should already have this date noted but if they've missed our posters and reminders here's another prompt.



YEAR 8 WATERCOLOUR PAINTINGS

Year 8 students have been working on their watercolour painting skills this term. They have been painting stripes onto images of sweets, working on bleeding the colour light to dark. The paintings look fab when they're all laid out drying together!



BRITISH ART SHOW VISIT - UNIVERSITY OF WOLVERHAMPTON

A selection of art students visited the British Art Show at the University of Wolverhampton at the beginning of February. Recognised as the most important and ambitious recurrent exhibition of contemporary art produced in the UK, British Art Show takes place every five years and brings the work of artists defining new directions in contemporary art to four UK cities.

The students had a great time and came away with a very generous tote bag and art supplies pack to take home with them, the group even managed to pop into McDonald's on the way back to school for a spot of lunch.

The exhibition is on until 22nd April until it's moved to Manchester and is completely FREE. It's well worth a visit this half term if you have the opportunity - a fabulous opportunity to see some prestigious art in our local area.



You are warmly invited to a preview event to mark the launch of

British Art Show 9

Wolverhampton
Friday 21 January, 6.30pm – 11pm

Wolverhampton Art Gallery and University of Wolverhampton School of Art

6.30pm – Exhibition opens at both venues

7pm – Speeches at Wolverhampton Art Gallery followed by a performance by Flexus Dance

9pm – Event continues at Wolverhampton School of Art

11pm – Close

Please RSVP by the 10 January 2022
 to Art.Gallery@wolverhampton.gov.uk



PHOTO TAKEN BY OLIVER MURRAY - YEAR 10



ROYAL ACADEMY YOUNG ARTISTS SUMMER SHOW - WE WANT YOU TO ENTER!!

Now in its fourth year, the Young Artists' Summer Show is a free, open submission exhibition for students aged 4 - 19 studying in the UK. Artworks are judged by a panel of passionate artists and arts professionals, with selected artworks displayed online and on-site at the Royal Academy of Arts.

WHAT CAN I SUBMIT TO THE COMPETITION?

The artwork can be made using any material; it can be a painting, sculpture, photograph, installation, video, drawing, or a combination. There is no theme so artworks can be of any subject and we don't mind when you made the artwork as long as you are between 4-19 years old when you submit it. We also welcome collaborative pieces made by more than one student, a whole class, a whole year group or even a whole school! If you're submitting as or for a student at GCSE, A Level or BTEC level, we suggest submitting artwork that is not being assessed for exams.

PRIZES

Prizes are awarded each year for two inspiring artworks from each key stage, as chosen by the President of the Royal Academy. They will each receive vouchers for art materials or a free practical workshop for their school. You can also vote for your favourite artwork in our annual People's Choice Award, with the winners receiving vouchers for art materials.

Submit artwork

Artwork can then be submitted online by students or on their behalf by a teacher, parent or guardian by **30 March 2022**

Selection and exhibition

Our panel of judges will select artworks for the online exhibition and the display at the [Royal Academy](#)

ROYAL ACADEMY YOUNG ARTISTS SUMMER SHOW - PAST ENTRIES

Take a look below at the examples of work that have been submitted to the competition and won a prize. This is an extremely prestigious competition and even if a piece of work does not win a prize it is displayed on the Royal Academy's website - something AMAZING to put on your CV and job/university applications! All of the entries below won prizes last summer - come and speak to us in the art department if you're thinking about entering.



Camouflaged Lizard

Joey, Age 5



Mwene's Emoji

Marcela, Age 18

Prizewinner

Winner of the President's Prize



My Bookshelf at Home

Nancy, Age 7



Daily Walk

Anie, Age 17

Prizewinner

BRITAIN'S BEST YOUNG ARTIST CBBC - COMPETITION!

Are you Britain's Best Young Artist?

The BBC are once again on the lookout for creative 10 – 14 year olds in another nationwide talent search for the very best young artists in the UK.

Do you love drawing, painting, collage or anything in between? Whether you create portraits or panoramas, street art or still life – they want to hear from you!

If you'd love the chance to show off your artwork, be creatively inspired and are up for the challenge of becoming Britain's Best Young Artist, then get in touch by clicking below.

Applications close at midnight on Sunday 13th March 2022.

If you are selected to take part, the BBC will cover the costs of travel and accommodation. In terms of prizes for entering - 27 of the best artists who apply will be invited to take part in the CBBC TV series. The successful artists will compete in creative and inspirational art challenges – before one takes the honour of being crowned Britain's Best Young Artist.

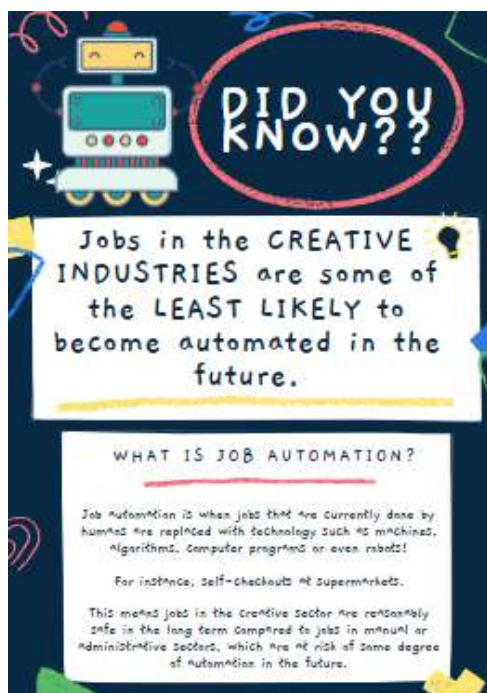
<https://www.bbc.co.uk/cbbc/joinin/be-on-a-show-britains-best-young-artist>

Let the art department know if you're thinking of entering so we can help you with your application!



THINKING ABOUT CAREERS

With year 8 students currently selecting their GCSE options it's important to start thinking about employability and future careers. Although students are not quite deciding on definite careers at this point in their education, we've been looking into the longevity of jobs in different sectors - particularly when it comes to automation, which will be affecting the job market in the coming years. We've discovered that jobs that require very specific skills, such as design and creative jobs have some the smallest chances of disappearing.



DID YOU KNOW??

Jobs in the **CREATIVE INDUSTRIES** are some of the **LEAST LIKELY** to become automated in the future.

WHAT IS JOB AUTOMATION?

Job automation is when jobs that are currently done by humans are replaced with technology such as machines, algorithms, computer programs or even robots!

For instance, self-checkouts at supermarkets.

This means jobs in the creative sector are relatively safe in the long term compared to jobs in manual or administrative sectors, which are at risk of some degree of automation in the future.



MULTIMEDIA ARTISTS + ANIMATORS

Have only a ...

1.5%

chance of becoming automated



FASHION DESIGNERS

Have only a ...

2.1%

chance of becoming automated



INTERIOR DESIGNERS

Have only a ...

2.2%

chance of becoming automated



FINE ARTISTS ~ including painters, sculptors + illustrators

Have only a ...

4.2%

chance of becoming automated



PHOTOGRAPHERS

Have only a ...

2.1%

chance of becoming automated

ART HOMEWORK CLUB

We appreciate not all students have access to certain equipment or a space to spread out and complete art homework at home. To avoid students being unable to complete homework we are opening one of the art classrooms early on a Wednesday and Friday to allow students to come in and use the space and equipment. A member of staff will be present between 8am - 8.20am and a tray of equipment will be available to use.

Please let your child know and encourage them to use this opportunity if this something that is a challenge.

