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**Course Outline:**

Design and Technology A-level qualifications enable students to participate successfully and with confidence in an increasingly technological world. They will learn from the wider influences on the subject including historical, social, cultural, environmental and economic factors.

Study will focus on core technical and designing and making principles, in the context of fashion and textiles and the development of additional specialist knowledge in order to prepare students for progression into either higher education or careers in this sector.

Through the completion of a number of small design and make projects and the development of practical creative students are encouraged to develop their independent designing and making skills.

The course is designed to

- Students will use their creativity and imagination to design and make prototypes that solve real and relevant problems, considering their own and others' needs, wants and values.
- Students will learn about contemporary technologies, materials and processes, as well as established practices.

**Method of Assessment:**

This is a linear course where students will sit all of their exams at the end of the two years.

25% written exam : 2hrs

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50% coursework – full design and make project completed during the second year of the course.

- Textiles Technology uses skills and knowledge from many subject areas, in particular at A2 uses skills from Maths and Science, alongside Business Studies, Art and History.
- Design and Technology is an academic subject and is accepted by any university for admission to a degree course.
- It is very good subject to study if you are considering a career in design (of any type), marketing, fashion/business management or can equally be fun to study as a subject which you enjoy for its own sake.