

# D & T – Fashion and Textiles

## DESIGN & TECHNOLOGY DEPARTMENT

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**Why choose the subject?** The main aim of this course is to develop an awareness of, and to study in depth, the nature and use of Textiles and provide the opportunity to study further the scientific, historical and cultural or commercial aspects of the subject. Designing and making is at the heart of the course.

Fashion and Textiles is an interdisciplinary subject which is student focused. It is designed to be either a complementary subject to Art & Design/Theatre Studies/Media/Business or a contrasting subject to demonstrate breadth and balance.

**Who is eligible?** Students with enthusiasm and a keen interest to work in Fashion with fabric and textile materials in addition multi-media materials. Previous experience in Fashion and Textiles is not essential. A GCSE in any Design Technology area or Art and Design is an advantage.

## A LEVEL QUALIFICATION

Year 2019/21 Advanced Level Award Examination Board: AQA 7562	<b>Paper 1</b>	
	Description of Subject Content	<b>Technical Principles</b> This paper will be a mixture of short and extended response questions where candidates will be expected to answer all questions.
	Weighting Nature of Exam	30% of total A level mark 2 hour 30 minute written paper
	<b>Paper 2</b>	
	Description of Subject Content	<b>Design and Making Principles</b> This paper will be a mixture of short and extended response questions and will include product analysis questions and commercial manufacture questions
	Weighting Nature of Exam	20% of total A level mark 1 hour 30 minute written paper
<b>Non Examined Assessment</b>		
Description of Subject Content	A single substantial design and make project where individuals set their own design brief with a written portfolio (approx.40 pages) and a manufactured outcome	
Length of Exam Weighting Nature of Exam	Approximately 45 hours' work 50% of total A level mark Design Portfolio including photographic evidence and Product	

## STUDENT VIEW Fashion and Textiles



Fashion and Textiles as an A level choice is relevant and exciting, and gives the opportunity to develop a knowledge and understanding all aspects of the fashion industry. This subject area will help your creativity flourish, and you will have the freedom to choose designing and making tasks on an area that you are passionate about. This enables projects to be unique, encouraging individuality through independence, which is self-motivating and satisfying, creating challenging products to the highest standards. Fashion and Textiles also allows the development of many transferable skills, which be beneficial for university applications as admissions tutors like to see a versatile students with a broad range of relevant strengths.

(Class of 2018)

