

Photography Year 12 Curriculum Overview

	Autumn		Spring		Summer	
	Learning Cycle 1	Learning Cycle 2	Learning Cycle 3	Learning Cycle 4	Learning Cycle 5	Learning Cycle 6
Topic	Personal Investigation Part One					
Critical Prior Knowledge	As Photography is not offered as a course in KS3 or KS4 the year 12 curriculum assumes that students will commence the year with little to no specialist knowledge. However, some knowledge gained throughout Key Stage 3 and 4 may be utilised during Personal Investigation, such as basic literacy and numeracy skills, artist studies and creative development of ideas.					
Overall Intent (Big ideas and key concepts)	Students develop a theme based on a title of choice, which they will develop over the course of the year, exploring a wide range of media, techniques and processes, and linking their ideas and eventual outcome to contextual sources – artistic, cultural etc. Students explore a range of traditional and digital processes such as darkroom skills, Photoshop editing and shooting with a range of film and digital cameras. and will ultimately utilise one or some of these in reaching a conclusion to their Investigation.					
Essential Knowledge milestones (What students must master)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • An increased ability to independently develop creative ideas in response to a theme. • Sound knowledge of available media, techniques and processes. • Effectively linking ideas to contextual sources. • Skilful evaluation of progress and outcomes. • An understanding of the Assessment Objectives, and where these can be found in own work. 					
Cultural Capital	Students will gain a greater understanding of the process of creative thinking, development of ideas and decision making. The independent nature of the personal investigation will give students greater confidence in autonomous working processes, which should be applicable to subjects throughout the curriculum, as well as in their broader lives.					
Assessment Points	1) AO3 (Record)	2) AO2 (Explore) 3) AO1 (Develop)	4) AO3 (Record) 5) AO2 (Explore)	6) AO1/ AO4 (Develop/ Present)	7) AO3 (Record) 8) AO2 (Explore)	9) AO1/AO4 (Develop/ Present)
ECC Student Characteristics	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Resilient • Aspirational and Careers Aware • Respectful • Effective and Confident Communicators • Understand the Importance of Equality, Diversity and be Mutually Tolerant • Knowledgeable • Skilled 					
Connection to future learning (When is this developed / revisited)?	The Personal Investigation allows students to become familiar with the independent creative process involved and the methods of Recording, Exploring, Developing and Presenting Outcomes, which exist as the Assessment Objectives throughout A Level Photography therefore will continue into the year 13 curriculum.					