

# Fashion and Textiles



**Qualification: Technical Award**  
**Equivalent to: 1 GCSE**

The Textiles specifications are currently under review and final specifications have not yet been released. However the main content of the courses are very similar. We will make a final decision on which course will be delivered when the courses are approved.

Year 9 will be a foundation year where students are able to build up a wide range of practical skills which will support the practical aspect of the course.

## **Course Content**

The course covers practical as well as the theory aspects of textiles decoration. It covers a wide range of topics including fibres and fabrics, how textile products are made in industry, production methods, components used in products, how products are made and lots of new practical techniques. You will learn using a range of activities including focused practical testing and mini projects.

## **Assessment**

Awaiting confirmation but will include practical controlled assessment as well as a written exam paper.

Practical assessment will account for 60% of the qualification. This is to be split into two internally assessed units.

Written paper will account for 40% of the qualification. This is an external exam.

## **Who would enjoy and be successful on the course?**

Students who have a keen interest in textiles in its wider sense. Students who are keen to learn about the theory behind the textiles and products we use as well as those who enjoy making things.

If you are prepared to work hard, are prepared to have an interest in the subject and are keen to learn about the theory as well as the practical side of textiles then this is the course for you.

## **Progression – Sixth Form / Further Education / Careers**

Textiles is an ideal subject if you want to go into the textile industry or you want to develop your practical skills or it is an area you just really enjoy. Textiles, with its wide variety of transferable skills, supports a variety of different careers such as early years, child care and teaching to name a few!

We currently offer an A level in Product Design - Textiles so you are able to continue your studies if you wish.