

THE BUCKINGHAM SCHOOL

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Dear Parent / Carer,

Art and Photography AQA Controlled Period (Exam) information

Please be advised of the following dates for the GCSE and A Level Art and Photography exams 2024.

- GCSE Photography 10 hours (2 days) / 18th and 19th April / Room IT3
- A Level Photography 15 hours (3 days) / 2nd, 3rd and 7th May / Room A3
- GCSE Fine Art 10 hours (2 days) / 25th and 26th April / Room A1, 2 and 3
- A Level Fine Art 15 hours (3 days) / 29th, 30th April and 1st May / Room A3

Please can you support your child by ensuring they come to their controlled period (exam) prepared and ready to produce their AQA unit 2 final piece/s of work, that they have planned and discussed with their class teacher.

For their exam, they will need to bring:

- Unit 1 Coursework Portfolio, selection of further work and final piece (if these have not already been handed into their class teacher)
- Unit 2 Controlled Assignment (Exam) Portfolio
- Materials needed for their Unit 2 controlled period (Exam 2 or 3 days) final piece/s

We stock the normal wet and dry media for exam use however, if you child needs anything specialist that is not normally available to them in lesson time, like a frame or canvas, they will need to bring these with them on the first day of their exam.

Students are expected to abide by the normal JCQ exam conditions, such as not talking, no electronic devices or music. Your child will be well aware of the expectations from their recent mock exam experience.

Finally, please can I ask you remind your child that their exam will start promptly at 8.40am on the morning of their exam. If they wish, they will be able to set up their equipment from 8.00am onwards. Students will have break, lunch, registration and tutorial times as normal.

If you have any questions or details that you would like to discuss regarding the exams in Art and Photography please do not hesitate to contact your child's class teacher.

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I wish your child all the very best in the forthcoming Art and Photography exams.

Yours faithfully,

Mrs C Fraser

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The Buckingham School is concerned that every student should have the opportunity to attend school activities/obtain equipment, regardless of their financial circumstances. As such, it may be possible to subsidise those students who would otherwise be unable to attend trips/purchase items. Please feel free to write in confidence to finance@buckinghamschool.org, if you wish to seek assistance, or obtain more information about Pupil Premium funding.