

VISUAL ARTS STAGE 4 - YEARS 7 & 8



THE COURSE WORK

Art making involves **60%** of class time. An art student can expect to also develop their ideas by seeing artworks, collecting images, drawing and experimenting with materials out of school hours to achieve their best results.

Component	Weighting
Making	60%
Critical and historical studies	40%

ART CRITICISM and ART HISTORY involves **40%** of class time. Students are introduced to artists who have made artworks on the same topic to assist in developing their own ideas. This part of the course develops knowledge and understanding of the world of art. We explore the framework of art involving the artist, the artwork, the audience and the world it reflects.

ART TOPICS / SUBJECT MATTER

The programs approach both making and studying art in themes and topics.

In Year 7 the focus is on the Elements of Design: Line, Colour Texture, Tone and the Principals of Design: Rhythm and Movement.

Artworks are produced to reflect an understanding of the Elements and Principals of Design through a chosen subject matter. The subject matter can focus on water, emotion and animals.

In Year 8 the focus is on the Elements of Design: Tone Shape Colour and the Principals of Design: Pattern, Balance Unity and Contrast. Artworks are produced to reflect an understanding of the Elements and Principals of Design through a chosen subject matter. The subject matter can focus on Tools, Under the Sea, Coloured Landscape, Looking through the window, Perspective, Anatomy.

Students are taught to look through the FRAMES to investigate the meaning and content of artworks. These FRAMES include CULTURAL, SUBJECTIVE, STRUCTURAL and POST MODERN.

Students maintain a VISUAL ARTS DIARY which becomes a document of the course content and the processes involved creating their own art making.



ARTISTS STUDIED INCLUDE:

- Yr 7: Brett Whiteley, Hokusai, Edward Munch Chuck Close and others.
- Yr 8: Patrick Irwin, Robert Klippel, Tim Storrier, Jason Freeny, Alex Konahin







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