



<b>Overview</b>	<p>In Year 8, students build on their knowledge gained from the previous year to design, make, analyse and evaluate products. Through a range of projects, students use their design, practical and problem-solving skills to design and make solutions to the different design briefs. We introduce a range of new skills and relate all our learning to industry. Projects covered over the duration of the year are not necessarily in this order. Each project lasts for 12-14 lessons.</p>
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<b>Autumn Term</b>	<p><b>Creative Project – Trainers for the Future</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ The Design Process – What the steps are and what they cover (Design brief, research, specification, design ideas, prototyping, evaluation)</li> <li>■ Product Analysis – How to analyse using the ACCESSFM acronym (Aesthetics, cost, customer, environment, safety, size, function, and materials) (extended writing task)</li> <li>■ Idea Generation – Shown how to sketch and present design ideas using pencils, fine liners, and pencil crayons</li> <li>■ Biomimicry technique – using nature to help inspire creative and unique design ideas.</li> <li>■ Morphology technique – using product characteristics to help inspire creative and unique design ideas.</li> <li>■ Client Profiles – Using peoples’ needs and wants to help design help inspire creative and unique design ideas for different target markets.</li> <li>■ Developing Drawing, rendering, shading and fine-lining techniques.</li> <li>■ Materials Science (Plastics and Processes) Understanding thermoset, thermoplastics and elastomers, their characteristics, properties, stock forms and how to work with them. Focus on Vacuum forming.</li> </ul>	<b>Assessment</b>
		<p><b>Design skills</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Presentation and colour</li> <li>■ Creativeness of Design</li> <li>■ Complexity of design</li> <li>■ Drawing technique</li> <li>■ Annotation</li> </ul> <p><b>Extended writing</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Analysing and evaluating</li> <li>■ Vocabulary</li> <li>■ Spelling and Grammar</li> </ul>

<b>Spring Term</b>	<p><b>Practical Project – Desk Clock</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Idea Generation – using the techniques learning in the previous term (Biomimicry, morphology, and client profiles to create a unique toothbrush holder design)</li> <li>■ Working with Tools and Machinery (Learning how to use hand tools and workshop machinery)</li> <li>■ Health and safety (Learning the H&amp;S Rules and safety precautions and PPE to work safely in the workshop)</li> <li>■ Materials (Plastics HIPs) thermoplastic for vacuum forming</li> <li>■ Mould making – plywood base shaped, details with air drying clay.</li> <li>■ Vacuum forming – steps involved, and parts named.</li> <li>■ Learning the order in which the clock will be made. Marking out – Sawing – Filing – Sanding – Drilling – Assembly - Finishing</li> </ul>	<b>Assessment</b>
		<p><b>Practical skills</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Quality of making</li> <li>■ Accuracy of Design</li> <li>■ Working safely and Independently</li> <li>■ Time management</li> </ul>

<b>Summer Term</b>	<b>Computer Aided Design Project – TinkerCAD Product</b>	<b>Assessment</b>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ How CAD &amp; CAM is used in Industry on a larger scale for batch/mass production.</li> <li>■ Work planes- drawing on different levels and adding/removing shapes</li> <li>■ Shape manipulation – editing size, colour, and fillets.</li> <li>■ Extruding shapes and text</li> <li>■ Mirroring - duplicating a shape with mirroring function</li> <li>■ Aligning – Aligning shapes vertically and horizontally</li> <li>■ Arraying – duplicating shapes in a grid or circular layout.</li> <li>■ Removing shapes – removing shapes to create a hole or negative space</li> <li>■ Dimensioning – adding correct dimensions to have accurate proportions.</li> <li>■ Changing colours – editing shapes/design to create a more realistic look.</li> </ul>	<b>Design skills</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Creativeness of Design</li> <li>■ Complexity of design</li> <li>■ Range of skills used</li> </ul>

<b>Useful Resources for Supporting Your Child at Home:</b>	<b>Homework:</b>
<p>Teams – all teaching resources can be found here.</p> <p>Tinkercad.com – To access the CAD program and practise.</p> <p>Technology student.com – All things Design</p> <p>How it’s made on YouTube – understanding manufacturing processes.</p>	<p>Students are expected to come prepared to design lessons with the correct drawing and writing equipment.</p> <p>Homework is always recorded on Teams.</p> <p>Homework vary from research, written or design tasks that require no more than 30 minutes to complete.</p>