GCSE Graphic Design, 3D Design and Textiles Design

These qualifications consist of two units; Unit 1 - Non-Exam Assessment and Unit 2 - Externally Set Task

Students should have completed Unit 1 NEA Project by Friday 20th December 2025. Any student who has not completed this unit will need to attend after school on Mondays and Fridays in PD1 to do so. This is imperative as this unit is worth 60% of their final grade. Parents will receive communication if this is the case.

Unit 2 (40% of final grade) is to be completed by 31st March 2025. Students will need to keep up to the tight deadlines for this Unit as it is a quick turnaround. Schools do not receive the EST questions from AQA until early January. They have been published to students on their Class Design Team, alongside deadline dates, resources and instructions for successful completion of the work. The research and design developments completed in the following three months cumulate in a 10-hour exam in which students 'make' their final ideas. The exam week is 21st April 2025, unfortunately no other time will be given to students to sit this exam. Students can complete work in PD1 on Mondays and Fridays after school, this is especially important if they are to achieve higher grades. These subjects require time to produce high quality work.

Any questions please contact Mrs Haxby - haxbyj@ca.rklt.co.uk

Unit 2 Section	Sketchbook Pages	Deadline Dates
Research	Title Page x 1 page	
	Mindmap x 2 pages	
	Moodboard/themeboard x 2 pages	
	Statement of Intent x 1 page	17 th January 2025
	Artist/design research 1 X 8 pages, including experiments and developments in 'the style of' chosen style/artists	31st January 2025
	Artist/design research 2 X 8 pages, including experiments and developments in 'the style of' chosen style/artists	14 th February 2025
	Artist/design research 3 for higher grade	14 th February 2025
Design and Development		
	Observational studies, collages, photographs x 4 pages minimum	21st February 2025
	Design Ideas for chosen question x 6 ideas minimum	17 th March 2025
	Development of chosen idea x 6 pages minimum	^{24th} March 2025
	Final Idea and Planning	31st March 2025