



Course Information – September 2011

Course Title GCSE Design & Technology : Textiles Technology

Level 2

Awarding Body AQA

What is the content of the course?

In this one year course students are encouraged to be creative and innovative thinkers. Developing their confidence through designing and making quality products.
Areas students will study include: Materials & components, Design & market influences, Processes & Manufacture. Students will complete a controlled assessment consisting of a single design & make activity, and a written exam at the end of the year.

How is the course assessed?

	%	Details:
End of course exams	40	Written paper – 2hrs long. Candidates answer all questions in two sections. Pre-release material issued.
Modular exams		
Controlled Assessment	60	Controlled Assessment: Approx 45hrs. Consists of a single design & make activity selected from a range of tasks set by the board.
Portfolio		

How is this course delivered?

One day a week, all day at Bournville School. The course will be taught by a specialist teacher in a specialist room. It will include teacher led class work, group work, independent research / designing / making activities.

What are the entry requirements?

Students should have completed a Design & Technology Course at KS3

What skills are useful for success on this course?

The ability to work independently will be essential to aid development of design & make activities. Students need to be inquisitive and enthusiastic in their learning, with a keen interest in Interior Design and Fashion.

What opportunities will success on this course give me?

Studying & being successful in Textiles Technology can lead to variety of exciting & well paid career opportunities in the fashion, design & textiles industries. The clothing Industry is Britain's fourth largest manufacturing Industry. Below are a few ideas of the extensive career opportunities in this area: Fashion Merchandiser, Trend Forecaster, Pattern Maker, Pattern grader. Costume designer, shoe, hat, handbag designer, interior design. Window dresser, Stage designer, machinist. Etc.