Overview

Year 8 develops and refines skills explored in Year 7. New projects are set and focussed on helping students to grow confidence when using the formal elements, working independently, and refining the quality of their work. We will research and be influenced by a range of sources. All that we discover will influence how and what is created for each project.



How do artists explore Waves and Water? How can media be manipulated to create effects for Waves and Water?

Water and Waves are a perfect topic for student artists in Whitby. Primary research will be a part of this project hopefully with visits and photography. By now you will know your formal elements and we will look to apply them with increasing independence and confidence. Movement and depth will be focused on as we play with mixed media in layers. Our investigation will be supported by the ideas seen in the work of historical, local and modern artists.





Term 2 into 3;

What superhero qualities do you and artists have? How can we capture personality and meaning when designing characters?

We will look at character design and comic books for inspiration when trying to capture the personality of artist in out designs. We will use design, graphic design and illustration techniques to present and communicate refined ideas. We will sketch and develop options before developing a final character in the style of comic book illustrators. You have a chance to find and link ideas to your modern lives.

Term 3

How do we refine our investigations?

The rest of term 3 will be used to finalise work, present portfolios and write up our process. Refining is Assessment Objective 1 at GCSE and asks you — How can work be improved? What small adaptations can we make as we finish work? Can alternatives to explored to expand our work?