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Important Dates:



1st October
VIRTUAL OPEN EVENING

26th – 30th October HALF TERM

19th November Year 11 Parents Evening

10th December Year 9 Parent Evening











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Computing, Arts and Technology Faculty

Year 10 Sees Launch of GCSE Photography

This term sees the start of our new GCSE course in Photography. Students will be exploring a range of lens-based media techniques and enhance their critical understanding. Already our Photography group have been busy setting up their E-portfolios and learning how to present their ideas.

As a preparation task, our Photography Group were asked over the summer to investigate the genre of 'still life' and textures within nature. Below are some superb examples of their early work.



Darcy G, GCSE Photography, Year 10

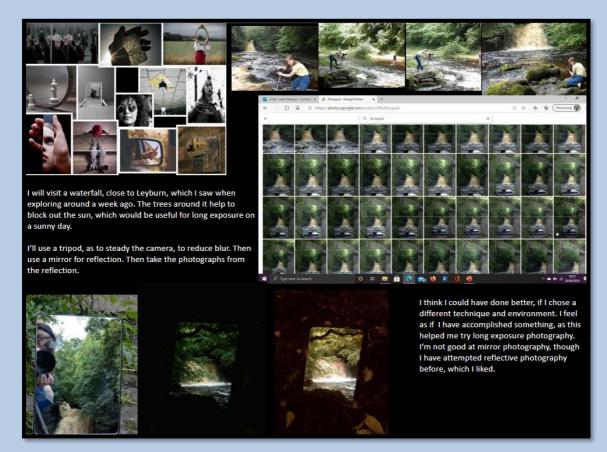
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Leah B, GCSE Photography, Year 10

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Analyse / Subject / Elements

The photographer of this image is called Lucy Shires.

The title of this image is called...

The genre of this image is macro.
The props I can see in this image are leaves.

The composition of the photograph shows that the tree is in the middle of the photograph going from big to small with the branches and leaves in the background blurred.

The viewers eye is lead around the photograph because of the composition and perspective Lucy Shires has used.

The perspective that Lucy Shires has taken this photo from below. This perspective is effective because gives detail to the start of the tree and slowly leads off to a blur.

The photographer employs a range of visual elements in her work. The most striking elements in this photograph are, line is used in this to entice the viewer into looking at this image in more detail and accuracy, shape is used in this image to amplify the lines leading across the tree, texture is used here to highlight the shapes and dents in the log, colour is used in this photograph to illuminate the leaves in the background.

Media / Intent

The photograph has been taken from a short distance, so this means the sides of the image have been cropped and the floor and the rest of the leaves have been cut out of frame.

This is so the main focal point is the start of the log is the main focal point of the image.

The tree has been placed in the middle ground of the image. By doing this, the viewers eyes are led up the tree towards the leaves and branches making the focal point the start and end of the log. The photo had been taken outside using natural sunlight. The light source has been placed above which is highlighting and creating shadows.

This creates an atmosphere of highlights and some shadows.

To emulate this photograph myself, I would have my iso on a low
setting which will make shutter speed on a high setting. I would

setting which will make shutter speed on a high setting. I would also need to place the camera at the bottom of the tree. I feel the photo conveys a message of a calm and tranquil environment.

It does this by looking like a beautiful place where the trees and green and the flowers are picturesque.

This work is relevant to the project and theme as it is zoomed in and fading into a blur.



My shoot went to plan. The strengths of my pictures are that they are colourful and bright. They are also taken from a different perspective to give a different view of the tree. The weaknesses of my photograph are that when putting together the images they went all different ways and made the collage look funky.

Marissa T, GCSE Photography, Year 10

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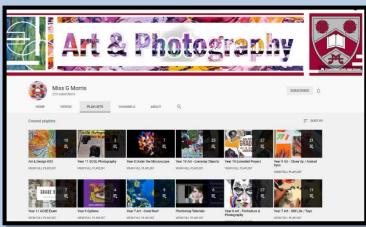
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New Year, New Look!

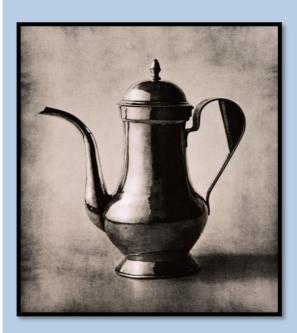
This term, we have launched our new GCSE Photography website and revamped our signage for the Art & Photography YouTube channel.

Click here to see our YouTube updates.





Feature Artist: Irving Penn



Artist' this term, is internationally renowned photographer Irving Penn. Irving Penn was one of the twentieth century's great photographers, known for his arresting images and his masterful coverage of multiple genres.

To celebrate the launch of our Photography course, our 'Feature

At a time when photography was primarily understood as a means of communication, he approached it with an artist's eye and expanded the creative potential of the medium, both in his professional and personal work.

(Image on left 'Coffee Pot', New York, 2007)

The Irving Penn Foundation houses the largest repository of Irving Penn's work and was established to promote the knowledge and understanding of the artistic legacy of Irving Penn, including the diversity of techniques, mediums and subject matter that the artist explored. Visit www.irvingpenn.org for more information.

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Design and Technology



In KS3 D&T, the students have started to look at how graphic design can be used to communicate important messages to different target markets. Here are some wonderful examples of posters and simple board games that remind nursery children of the need to stay safe during the current pandemic. Designs produced by Mariam, Catherine, Molly and Bethany in 8S, Vedika, Katie, Heather and Jemima in 8P and finally Emily, Saniya, Beth and Tilly in 9J.

Mrs Gornall

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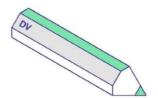


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STEAM OPPORTUNITIES



Bringing the business of design to life with Deutsche Bank



Design Ventura Online Mini Challenge for year 7 and year 8 students!

Design a product for the Design Museum Shop for your chance to win a prize.

Design criteria

Improving everyday life

Your product idea can improve everyday life by meeting the needs of a specific audience group or by addressing a social, educational or environmental issue.

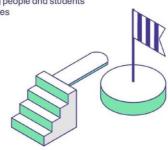
The Design Museum Shop

The business setting for your product is the Design Museum Shop. Therefore, your product must complement the other items on sale here, such as books, homeware, toys and games. designmuseumshop.com

Target audience

Your product idea can appeal to a wide audience but should directly target the needs of a specific group, such as:

- ► Adult design enthusiasts
- ► Young people and students
- ► Families



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BTEC Creative media

During lockdown, the new BTEC Creative Media group created some great work exploring the three media sectors; audio/ moving image, publishing and interactive. Here are some examples of their responses to tasks, such as 'Creating a Sound Effect', 'Is Publishing a Dying Sector?' and the 'Mass Appeal of Video Games'. Work by Maddy, Lauren, Ruby and Donalia.

The power of sound effects



In the trailer for this movie there are various, noticeable sound effects and different musical themes. We are introduced with the sound of cleaning, such as spraying and scrubbing, this is then layered with audio and music and the song can be compared to musicals and Broadway. The mood is upbeat and lively, and following this there are clips from the movie where the main character nearly gets hit by a car. At this point things are busy and loud, with car horns beeping and nearby traffic creating background noise. Moreover, within the trailer there are scenes where paparazzi take photographs and we can hear the familiar

sound of cameras clicking and flashes going off. We can also hear other types of sound effects added to the audio such as the aeroplane, a dog barking, doorbell buzzing, and an elevator ding. The added special sound effects add to the liveliness of the trailer and are realistic sounding. They create a chaotic atmosphere, and the additional music helps to tell the storyline, for example halfway through we notice a dramatic change in the music and its tempo, this signifies the mood and specific narrative, but also helps build tension. However, the trailer ends with an abrupt increase of tempo and dynamic music, signifying the fact that overall the movie is upbeat, hopeful and full of happiness and excitement and has a positive ending.

Donalia

Is publishing a dying sector?

1st July 2020

LO: to know what publishing is and how it has developed in recent years.

Magazine sales have dropped over the last 10 years because online publishing is becoming more and more popular as the years go on. Technology is advancing every year which makes it easier and easier to purchase and read things online which has led to a downfall of in store purchases and physical magazines. This may not be a bad thing for most people as reading magazines eliminated a whole step in the buying process (going out and buying it) however this isn't as good for those without online connections or simply don't want to. If eventually physical magazine purchases get so low, they may completely move online as some brands such as Glamour have already done. This means those people will no longer be able to read their favourite magazine as they won't be available for in-store purchases.

Some advantages to magazine companies moving online are that they can reach a wider amount of people. This is because people who can't fully access shops or simply don't go in many that sell them can be able to see and read them without having to go inside them. This would also likely be a popular transition within younger generations as they are more active on their devices and know how to use them better than older generations. Online magazines are also a huge step towards a greener environment. This is because there is far

less paper being used and then thrown away after a week or possibly less. In 2018, in the UK, over 373.8 million paper magazines were sold that year alone which is a lot of wasted paper.



On the other hand, lots of people would be unable to access online magazines and publications. This could be for many reasons such as not having technology, not having

internet connections or simply not wanting to have to read off of a small screen. A transitior such as this can be difficult for older generations to accept as many people enjoy keeping things the way they are.



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CAT Faculty Twitter

Keep up to date with all the latest CAT faculty information by following us on twitter to see some of the amazing work the students do in Computing, Art, Food and Design & Technology.



GCSE Design & Technology

The new year 10 GCSE Design & Technology: Textiles class have made a great start to the term in the newly refurbished Design & Technology classroom. We have started to discuss and look at how the textile industry has helped to support the fight against Covid 19 through the manufacturing of scrubs and masks. Students have started to explore a range of materials and designs which will help them to design and develop a range of new face masks which meet the needs of a chosen client.

PPE update

It has been great to see the visors, which were produced by the CAT faculty during lockdown, being used in some primary schools and nurseries. Hopefully, the cartoon characters and bright pink headbands made the





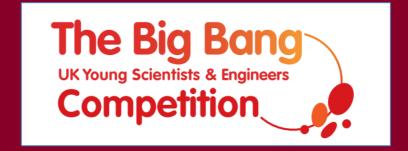
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STEM

Unfortunately, due to Covid 19, all clubs have currently been put on hold at school, including our very popular **STEM Club**. However, we have lots of ideas of how we can include STEM in your lessons and we have some exciting competitions lined up, including the 'The Bang Competition', the 'Tomorrow Engineers Robotics' and more!



Year 10 & 11 Textiles 'Wool4School' Competition

The Wool4School design competition will be introduced to students in years 10 & 11 who have an interest in fashion and design. It is an annual competition that encourages budding fashion designers to show their creations by demonstrating their creative thinking and skills in fashion and textiles.

This year, they asking students to **design an outfit which is versatile, protective, dynamic and functional to aid your commute as you travel.** More information will soon be available but if you have questions please speak to or email Mrs Freer.

Mrs Freer





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Key Stage 3 Computing

Key Stage 3 Computing has started this academic year with year 7 pupils learning about different aspects of online safety including cyber-bullying, social networking and how to stay safe using this media. They will be learning about viruses and other dangers to technology. They will also be learning about the digital footprint.

The teaching of online safety is crucial with young people. It isn't to tell them not to use social media and different technologies, but to make them aware and give them the skills to be able to keep both themselves and others safe. It is designed to give pupils the knowledge about privacy settings, private accounts and to make them aware of where they can go for help and support.

Year 8 pupils are learning about internet searching techniques and looking into a variety of research including primary and secondary research, with the girls conducting their own primary research around the topic of aliens. The girls will be analysing their findings and then producing an information leaflet about aliens using a variety of sources.

Year 9 pupils are learning about website design. They will be looking at a variety of websites and their different features. They will be designing their own websites and creating them using 'serif web plus'.

GCSE Computer Science

Computer Science is off to a great start this academic year. Year 11 have been looking at encryption and databases and will be moving onto looking at how the internet works and different network topologies.

Year 10 have made a fantastic start to Computer Science. They have learnt about the CPU components and how the CPU works. We are currently learning about a variety of storage devices and how they work.

BTEC Creative Media Production

Year 11 are looking at interactive aspects of media, focusing on websites and looking at how websites are designed to target certain audiences. This will end with the students designing and creating their own homepage for a website for a teenage audience. The students will then be preparing for their practical exam.

Mrs Bennett
Curriculum Leader for C.A.T. Faculty
and Teacher of Computing

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Year 7 have come back after the Summer and produced some excellent healthier 'fakeaway-takeaway' meals. They have also completed a nutritional challenge, by studying the sections of the 'eatwell plate' and making a balanced meal product. I have been amazed at some of the cooking and nutritional information. What an amazing start! I hope that we will be able to use the food room in school to showcase some of your exceptional skills.

Keep handing in your work by uploading to Classcharts or taking out the food page and handing it in to me. I have awarded medals for some excellent work. Well done!













Mrs Khan Food Technology Coordinator

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Head's Commendations

YEAR 10 PHOTOGRAPHY

Year 10 Darcy G – A great start to GCSE Photography
 Year 10 Leah B – A great start to GCSE Photography
 Year 10 Marissa T – A great start to GCSE Photography

YEAR 10 ART & DESIGN

Year 10 Codie F B – A great start to GCSE Art & Design
 Year 10 Emily F – A great start to GCSE Art & Design
 Year 10 Chelsey P – A great start to GCSE Art & Design

YEAR 11 ART & DESIGN

| • | Year 11 | Chloe F – Excellent effort with the GCSE Art Summer Tasks |
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| • | Year 11 | Millie P – Excellent effort with the GCSE Art Summer Tasks |
| • | Year 11 | Abi F – Excellent effort with the GCSE Art Summer Tasks |
| • | Year 11 | Aimee C – Excellent effort with the GCSE Art Summer Tasks |
| • | Year 11 | Emily C – Excellent effort with the GCSE Art Summer Tasks |
| • | Year 11 | Sophie C – Excellent effort with the GCSE Art Summer Tasks |
| • | Year 11 | Livv T-W – Excellent effort with the GCSE Art Summer Tasks |
| • | Year 11 | Millie L – Excellent effort with the GCSE Art Summer Tasks |
| • | Year 11 | Macey M – Excellent effort with the GCSE Art Summer Tasks |
| • | Year 11 | Anna P – Excellent effort with the GCSE Art Summer Tasks |
| • | Year 11 | Jasmine R – Excellent effort with the GCSE Art Summer Tasks |
| • | Year 11 | Emily M – Excellent effort with the GCSE Art Summer Tasks |
| • | Year 11 | Tegan L – Excellent effort with the GCSE Art Summer Tasks |
| • | Year 11 | Fay R – Excellent effort with the GCSE Art Summer Tasks |

DESIGN TECHNOLOGY

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Year 10 Olivia S – Superb homework!
 Year 10 Senna H – Superb homework!
 Year 10 Sophia C – Superb homework!

Year 9 Tilly P - For creating a fantastic board game, educating nursery children about washing their hands.

YEAR 10 COMPUTER SCIENCE

• Year 10 Darcy G -fantastic start to year 10 GCSE

Year 11 Lily T – fantastic work completed during home learning

FOOD TECHNOLOGY

• Year 10 Sienna B, Fareesha K- Excellent start and enthusiastic first piece of work

Year 11 Khadija Y, Mariam A, Ellie B - Excellent start and enthusiastic first piece of work

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COVID 19 Government Guidance



Do not send your child to school if:

- they are showing <u>coronavirus</u> (COVID-19) <u>symptoms</u>
- someone in their household is showing symptoms

Arrange a test if you or your child develops symptoms. Inform your nursery, childminder, school or college of the results.

If the test is positive, follow guidance for households with possible or confirmed coronavirus (COVID-19) infection, and engage with the NHS Test and Trace process.

It is really important that you help nurseries, childminders, schools and colleges to implement these actions by following the advice set out here and wider public health advice and guidance.

If you have any of the main symptoms of coronavirus (COVID-19), get a test as soon as possible. Stay at home until you get the result.

Main symptoms

The main symptoms of coronavirus are:

- a high temperature this means you feel hot to touch on your chest or back (you do not need to measure your temperature)
- a new, continuous cough this means coughing a lot for more than an hour, or 3 or more coughing episodes in 24 hours (if you usually have a cough, it may be worse than usual)
- a loss or change to your sense of smell or taste this means you've noticed you cannot smell or taste anything, or things smell or taste different to normal

Most people with coronavirus have at least 1 of these symptoms.

What to do if you have symptoms

If you have any of the main symptoms of coronavirus:

- 1. Get a test to check if you have coronavirus as soon as possible.
- 2. Stay at home and do not have visitors until you get your test result only leave your home to have a test.

Anyone you live with, and anyone in your support bubble, must also stay at home until you get your result. Get a test to check if you have coronavirus

Please visit our Attendance Policy Appendix on our school 'September 2020' webpage for further Attendance information. http://www.penworthamgirls.lancs.sch.uk/september-2020-opening/6093207.html

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SCHOOL ADMISSIONS SECONDARY

SOUTH

Do you have a child starting secondary school in September 2021 and living in Lancashire?

APPLY NOW!

www.Lancashire.gov.uk/schools or give us a call on 01772 532109

CLOSING DATE: 31 OCTOBER 2020

You must apply even if an older brother or sister is already at the school.

HAVE YOUR SAY

Between 1 October and 31 January schools are consulting with you to make sure admission arrangements meet future needs. To find out more please visit www.lancashire.gov.uk and search 'School Admission Policies'.

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ParentMail Have you registered?

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- Receive messages on your computer, tablet or mobile
- ✓ See all your messages in one handy, uncluttered feed
- ✓ Link to other schools or clubs that also use ParentMail
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Registering is really easy...



Download the ParentMail App for the best way to pick up school messages



to all my emails to check up what's going on at my children's school, 10 out of 10" ***

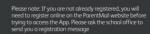
Search "ParentMail" in your App store...











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Virtual Open Evening

We will be holding a virtual open evening for prospective parents and pupils on Thursday 1st October from 6pm. Whilst we're unable to meet face to face, we hope parents and pupils will enjoy our 'Virtual Open Evening' experience.

Prospective parents and pupils can visit our school website for the virtual open evening and this information will stay live throughout October. Parents and pupils can watch our curriculum films to meet the staff and will be able to get in touch with the school by email to ask any questions that they may have regarding our school and the admission process.

Breaktime service



Break-time service will resume on Monday 21st September with one year group per key stage, each day.

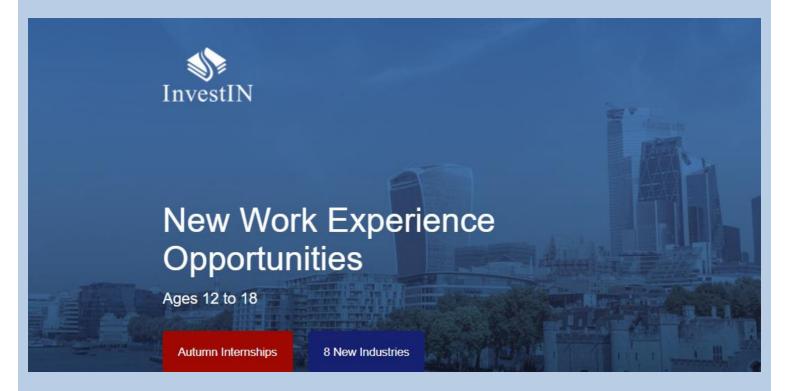
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New Work Experience Opportunities

An excellent opportunity to advertise to students in Years 10 and 11



For further details please visit the website using the link below:

https://mailchi.mp/investineducation/7mwpbvydmd-996567?e=cf07ad3cc3

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Get your rainbow colours on and run, walk, cycle or scoot in support of our hospital charity, any day & distance between

Monday 5th and Sunday 25th October!

Whether it be a 1k Rainbow Toddle for families with young children to a full marathon, the distance is completely up to you, so you can set your own personal challenge!

For more information and to sign up visit:

www.lthcharity.org.uk
Or call us on: 01772 528500

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