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Voluntary Contributions

Art, Design & Technology

Welcome to the Art, Design and Technology Department at Stanborough School. During KS3, your child will have the opportunity to explore a diverse range of practical materials across multiple disciplines which support an exciting, creative and engaging curriculum.

With the emphasis on practical materials, we endeavour to broaden the knowledge and understanding of different mediums and materials through a wide range of projects across Art and Technology specialisms. As you may be aware, there is a high level of quantity and cost in buying these resources to support our students which increase year on year. To continue to deliver this successful curriculum and maintain the highest quality and standard of work, we are looking at various ways of funding to support a proportion of the costs.

Amongst a variety of different media and materials, your child will get the opportunity to experiment with clay, oil pastels, print making, sculpture, paint, textiles, wood and other mediums.

In order for us to maintain our supply of resources we ask for a voluntary contribution of £5 per student to cover the materials used over the next 3 years. All outcomes made by the students can be taken away when completed and assessed. This is normal practice in many schools.

MathsWatchVLE Subscription

MathsWatchVLE (www.vle.mathswatch.co.uk) is a valuable online resource which students in KS3 and KS4 at Stanborough School use for independent learning, revision and homework. This resource, which includes **clear and concise video clips covering every maths topic for KS3 and KS4, '1 minute maths' videos to allow for quick revision and practice exercises on every topic** is sold only to schools and colleges. We believe that this would continue to be a highly beneficial resource for all students, and we request you to make a one-off **£2 voluntary contribution** towards the subscription of MathsWatchVLE for the year.

We greatly appreciate your support in this matter.

If there are any queries regarding voluntary payments, please contact the school.
A letter will be sent to you in September once the payment option is open in Arbor.