



## Textiles at Woking College

Welcome to the Art department! At Woking College you will create exciting Textiles that explore both contemporary and traditional techniques within art, craft and design.

Please complete the following and bring to your enrolment in August.

## Pattern .....verb 'to decorate with a recurring design.'

Your project that will commence in September will start with exciting visual stimuli. This will take the form of both second and first-hand sources. You are required over the summer to collect this visual research loosely based on 'PATTERN'. Remember the formal elements (colour, shape, pattern, texture,) will underpin every piece you create, whether it is a photograph, drawing or painting.









## Your tasks:

 Take 10x Photographs that aim to capture patterned surfacesthink flower heads, manhole covers, trellis, and fencing.
Consider your direct environment from all angles, looking specifically at repeat patterns, such as stripes, checks, spirals-anywhere you can see repetition, aiming to capture interesting images.



- Inspired by these photos create 10 approx. 7cm x 7cm hand stitched samples exploring the shapes and patterns captured in your photos. Your patterns can be stitched over fabrics, papers, plastic etc. Check out this link for inspiration. https://www.pinterest.co.uk/emmahobbs30/welcome-day-textiles/
- I would also like you all to create a Pinterest account if you have not already got one. It's a great teaching tool and fantastic place to find inspiring Artists work. It's free to join all you need is an email address. Please create an account and a new board called "Woking Textiles". Browse and follow my Pinterest Boards pinning 10 of your favorite pieces from any to it: https://uk.pinterest.com/emmahobbs30/

In September it is expected you will have the following list of equipment and materials ready for when you start. This is to enable you to complete your homework. The basic items in red you should also have with you every lesson.

- After enrolment you will need to purchase a **Textiles Starter**Pack from us. This includes an A2 clear plastic folio, plastic box to store your work and A4 sketchbook, approx £13
- Paints: Gouache, water colour, drawing inks
- Fine paint brushes, glue stick, black water soluble fineliner, range of graphite sketching pencils HB-6B
- Textile resources: Machine thread, embroidery skeins, embroidery hoop, needles, pins, scissors etc.

As a responsible Woking College Textile student, we ask you to be accountable for your own 'mess' and always ensure you leave the space tidy that you were working in.

You are always welcome and can work in the textile space when you have a free lesson. Please be courteous and check with teacher if room is in use. You can use the space after college most nights, until 5.30 pm. Please liaise with teachers so they know you are there.



**5-10 hours** of homework outside of lessons is compulsory to complete the course to the best of your ability. Teachers can help you manage your workload if an issue arises.

Lateness and absence will be monitored. Phone numbers are taken to liaise with home.

We anticipate lots of hard work from you, but also lots of enjoyable tasks from us too. So, bring interest, enthusiasm and commitment!

As a textile's student, use department magazines/online; as a reference for visual ideas

Selvedge, Crafts, Vogue, Embroidery, Elle Decoration, ID, Dazed and Confused, Weekend papers' magazine supplements -Style from The Times on Sunday is good

Check out Blue Fish website, Lawrence King and Selvedge for great books on Textiles, Arts, Crafts and Fashion

STYLE, VOGUE, LFW websites are great for designer information

Try to visit any local or London galleries/ exhibitions if you can!

- Chertsey Museum
- Design Museum
- Fashion and Textile Museum
- Lightbox Gallery
- Tate Britain
- Tate Modern
- Victoria and Albert Museum
- Welcome Collection

If you have any questions over the summer, please do get in touch!

Have a great summer, best of luck with results and we look forward to seeing you in September!

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