

PART-TIME TEMPORARY TEACHER OF ART MAIN SCALE or UPS

DEPARTMENT INFORMATION

The Art Department at Range High School is part of the P.E. and Expressive Arts Faculty. It consists of two full time teachers and one part time teacher, all of whom are practising artists. It also benefits from the skill set of a well-qualified, part time Arts' technician.

The Department has three good-sized rooms, each with their own storeroom. Joining the three rooms is a classroom, which acts as an office, a preparation room for the technician and a central marking area and storeroom base. The Faculty benefits from a Creative Hub where GCSE and A level Photography classes are taught. Close by is a well-resourced library providing access to PCs.

The school's geographical location means that it is within easy reach of the sea, large areas of sand dunes and pine forests. The local environment features in the curriculum at all Key Stages.

The Department believes that drawing is fundamental, and schemes of work have been carefully devised to build on this skill over all three Key Stages, with a particular focus on this at Key Stage 3.

The Department prides itself on the creativity of its pupils and promotes cross curricular links with many areas of school. A collaborative work environment for pupils and for staff is promoted across the PE and Expressive Arts Faculty.

The successful applicant will be expected to take part in the curricular and extra-curricular work of the Department, including trips, parents' evenings, work with feeder primary schools and faculty events.

Both GCSE and A level students follow the AQA course specification, and the Key Stage 3 teaching is devised to support pupils in building their media and drawing skills, linking to the assessment objectives at GCSE and A level. Take up in Key Stage 4 and Key Stage 5 is good. There are four groups in Key Stage 4 and two groups in each of Year 12 and 13. Many of our students move onto Art degrees including through the foundation route.

The Department has a policy of open access for all pupils studying Art and Photography in Y10 and beyond and expect sixth form students to be working in the Department during their non-contact time.

A good grasp of current curricular issues as well as an understanding of the implications of whole school and national policies for this curriculum area, are crucial to this post.

This is an excellent Department within a very good school. At the root of this is the excellent working relationship that staff and pupils enjoy. The ability to relate to and empathise with, pupils of all ages, is therefore crucial.