

## ART / DESIGN TECHNOLOGY - KS3 CURRICULUM RATIONALE

What do we aim to achieve through the KS3 Curriculum	Preparation for GCSE courses evidenced through skills like creativity,
	resilience, problem solving and time management. Awareness of wider
	social issues like healthy lifestyles, cultural respect and
	environmental/social impact.
What are learners entitled to	A broad and balanced curriculum in a safe environment which addresses
	the individual needs of a learner.
What should every child experience, what is non-	Challenge and enjoyment through access to both practical and theoretical
negotiable and why?	skills combined with out of school opportunities.
What building blocks are we trying to establish to ensure	Developing students' practical skills to enable them to access the KS4
success in KS4, what is the 5 year whole?	curriculum while promoting independent learning with challenge to
	encourage self-motivation.
In preparing youngsters for their future communities,	Sustainability, cultural awareness, social/environmental impact and
what is global in the KS3 curriculum?	awareness.
What is distinctive and local about what we do and why	Seasonality, local farmers and origins, DT – working with family, Art –
is it important here in Corsham?	Where We Live project.
What needs are we addressing among our youngsters	Inclusion, access to a wide range of practical skills both in lessons and
specifically?	during extra-curricular activities. Collaborative working environments
	where students develop their independence and critical thinking skills.
How will we inspire/light fires and challenge in KS3?	Independent projects with opportunities for choice Motivation through
-	challenge and high expectations which encourage students to value and
	show pride in their work.
What do we promote in terms of	A supportive environment where students work collaboratively and with
knowledge/skills/behaviours/organisation/opportunities	autonomy, showing self-respect through use of equipment and their



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for reflection/supporting emotional needs	working space. Teachers recognise students' strengths and weaknesses to
	support their learning.