# **CURRICULUM ROAD MAP**

Subject | Creative Media & Design

Year / KS

Year 8

### INTENT

Students at The Whitehaven Academy currently lack opportunities to explore digital creativity and media both in and out of school, an issue that is standard for the region. Additionally, the UK is facing a digital skills shortage as fewer students are taking GCSE's/A-Levels in these types of subjects. Creative Media & Design is important because it broadens the student's cultural capital as well as their skills which, whilst they may not choose this at GCSE or further, addresses this shortage. Furthermore, these skills are transferable to other subjects, such as IT, the Arts Award and other Technology-based subjects within the Creative Curriculum. Creative Media & Design follows the 3-part Production process (Pre-Production, Production & Post-Production) that is used in industry and allows for an organised, coordinated approach to the curriculum. By mimicking these 3 stages, it also allows for clear stages of assessment throughout the production process which allows for constructive formative feedback in addition to a final summative piece which forms the base of the process. Alongside this, students will develop their cultural capital and use this to help them lead a long and healthy life in which they can succeed and achieve. Students are thinking forwards and interpreting the world they live in today and the future.

#### **IMPLEMENTATION**

Students will undergo one whole year of Creative Curriculum, with Creative Media & Design as an option block within this. During CM&D, students will complete one unit titled "Publishing Media & Design" which encompasses a large segment of the creative media industry (publishing) and will simulate industry standards of evaluating a brief, researching genre stereotypes, initial-phase multi-product concepts and production processes & evaluation.

Alongside this, students will develop their time management and organisation skills in addition to exploring the autonomy of their creativity. This process will seek to challenge students on existing products, concepts and production methods whilst providing opportunities for all to succeed when designing, making and evaluating their products.

The process will blend both the theory and practical elements of creative media production to give students a simulated industry standard of approach. This practice will provide students with some of the skills needed in the BTEC Creative Media Production at GCSE - planning, timing, applying health and safety, reflecting, analysing,

# **IMPACT** - See Key Learning Indicators

Students will be assessed throughout the year against the Key Learning Indicators

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
Creative problem solving and use of maths	Health and Safety	Critical thinking	Quality preparation, research and planning	Quality communicatio n	Quality of outcomes through use of specialist technical principles	Use of technical terminology	Sustainability	DT in context

- 1. Creative problem solving and use of maths Students show creative and/or independent thinking and modification of approach shown throughout the unit of work to solve issues arising. Students can demonstrate some use of maths to solve technical problems." KLI1
- 2. Follow Health and Safety- Students can demonstrate an awareness of safe working practices **KLI2**
- 3. Critical thinking- Students use analysis and evaluation used to investigate, compare and contrast products with clear explanation(s) justification. KLI3
- 4. Quality preparation, research and planning- Students use preparation, research and planning techniques to inform the outcome. KLI4
- 5. Quality communication- Appropriate communication techniques are used to communicate design thinking clearly and effectively. KLI5

suggesting improvements and developing ideas with an overview of the success of a product in relation to the criteria of a given design brief.

### During this key stage the following aims will be met:

- Students will develop their knowledge and understanding of the creative industry production process;
- Students will develop research and design skills;
- Students will develop their knowledge of different genre stereotypes;
- Students will be able to apply their knowledge to make informed choices;
- Students will develop the creative, technical and practical expertise needed to perform everyday tasks confidently;
- Students will build and apply a repertoire of knowledge, understanding and skills in order to design and make high quality products for a wide range of users;
- Students will evaluate and test their ideas and products and the work of others

- 6. Quality of outcomes through use of specialist technical principles Students outcomes meet almost all of the project's success criteria. KLI6
- 7. **Technical terminology** Students use correct specialist technical terminology used correctly within the unit of work. KLI7
- 8. Sustainability- Students show an understanding of origins of materials and the associated environmental impact. KLI8
- 9. **DT in context-** Students demonstrate an understanding of efficient manufacturing techniques and working practitioners. KLI9

### **KEY KNOWLEDGE & SKILLS CROSS CURRICULAR**

## English:

### Reading

Students will be taught to understand increasingly challenging texts through:

learning new vocabulary, relating it explicitly to known vocabulary and understanding it with the help of context and dictionaries;

### Writing

Students should be taught to write accurately, fluently, effectively and at length for pleasure and information through:

- summarising and organising material, and supporting ideas and arguments with any necessary factual detail;
- applying their growing knowledge of vocabulary, grammar and text structure to their writing and selecting the appropriate form;

Students should be taught to plan, draft, edit and proof-read through:

- considering how their writing reflects the audiences and purposes for which it was intended;
- paying attention to accurate grammar, punctuation and spelling;

### Grammar and vocabulary

Students should be taught to consolidate and build on their knowledge of grammar and vocabulary through:

using Standard English confidently in their own writing and speech;

### Spoken English

Students should be taught to speak confidently and effectively, including through:

- using Standard English confidently in a range of formal and informal contexts, including classroom discussion;
- giving short speeches and presentations, expressing their own ideas and keeping to the point;
- Participating in formal debates and structured discussions, summarising and/or building on what has been said.

#### DT National Curriculum Coverage

#### **DESIGN**

Working towards a set Brief will fulfil this requirement and also give structure to the course by:

- Research will underpin the creative design process for both years and will cause students to explore different views and techniques used within creative media design.
- By using a variety of approaches, students will generate creative ideas and avoid stereotypical responses.
- During the Research & Design process, students will identify and solve their own design problems, which will be further enhanced through teacher feedback at set Formative Assessment periods.
- Students will use annotated sketches/mood boards (Year 8) to inform and communicate their ideas whilst working towards the design brief

#### MAKE

By following the Pre-Production, Production and Post-Production process, the course content will fulfil this requirement by:

- Creating products throughout multiple stages of the production process including concept, production and edit. Products will be submitted at various stages of the process which will require further production.

#### **EVALUATE**

By receiving formative feedback throughout the design and making process, the course content will fulfil this requirement by:

- Students will evaluate the work of others during the Design/Pre-Production process in order to better understand genre and make informed design decisions.
- Both year groups will test, evaluate and refine their products based on formative feedback received throughout the production process.
- Students will engage in peer-assessment of the groups products to evaluate the work of others in order to further inform their own product design.
- Upon completion of their final product, students will evaluate their final piece of work and assess how it fits the brief, and how they would change it in the future.

# **CONTENT MAP**

Topics covered throughout the term

Autumn Term	1. Digital Graphics – Group 1	2. Digital Graphics – Group 1
Spring Term	3. Digital Graphics – Group 1	4. Digital Graphics – Group 1
Summer Term	5. Digital Graphics – Group 1	6. Digital Graphics – Group 1

KEY L	KEY LEARNING INDICATORS		YEAR 8 SUCCESS CRITERIA		
			Students can use a creative approach and mindset to solve a range of problems		
	1	Creative problem solving and use of maths	Students can modify their approach throughout the unit of work to solve issues arising.		
			Students can use appropriate problem-solving approaches to solve issues and help plan or prepare their work.		
			Understanding of H&S rules within each DT room setting is clear.		
	2	Follow Health and Safety	Links can be made between incorrect H&S and potential problems or injuries and correct ways to mitigate.		
			Students closely follow all H&S procedures to allow safe working.		
			Students can reflect on their working and evaluate their work against criteria.		
	3	Critical thinking	Clear informed and detailed improvements are identified with regards to their outcome.		
			Students are able to analyse products suitability and compare products effectiveness.		
			A clear understanding that products have clients and some have specific needs and this in turn informs the design		
	4	Quality preparation, research and planning	Specification writing is clear and informs the design		
			Students are able to plan out how they are to complete their work and are able to change/modify where required.		
	г	Ovelite a communication	Designing shows an innovative and informed approach		
	5	Quality communication	Industry examples are used with skill and accuracy to facilitate designing where needed.		

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			Students can produce accurate sketching whilst making use of design programs with skill
ī			Accurate use of planning and design software to accurately make products
	6	Quality of outcomes through use of specialist technical	Careful and skilful use of equipment to produce an accurate outcome
		principles	Multiple design programs and other alternative equipment is used with skill and understanding
			Understanding of key words within the design process and how they link together.
	7	Technical terminology	Students understand key words used with each specialist areas and know precisely what they refer to.
		, commondy	Students can accurately and with understanding use a range of appropriate key words within their writing and wider work (including conversations)
			Awareness that designer and consumers have a social responsibility when designing and using products
	8	Sustainability	Understanding of environmental issues around materials and food choices
			Awareness that all products in the world have been designed by someone to fulfil a need
	9	DT in context	Students understand how a range of commercial manufacturing techniques are used to create products
			Students understand the careers which lead off from DT based disciplines.

KEY	LEARI	NING INDICATORS	YEAR 8 SUCCESS CRITERIA
			Students can identify explicit and implicit information in a text.
	1	Interpretation and evaluation	Texts can be summarised and key points identified.
			Evidence from a text is used to support points being made.
Ŋ			The effect of structural methods is explained.
READING	2	Understanding and analysis of writer's craft	The effect of words and language methods is explained.
RE			Students can make comparison of the same language and/or structural method in two different texts.
			The context of publication is linked to key aspects of a text, such as plot development or characterisation.
	3	Understanding of social and historical context	Links are made between the content of a text and its social/historical context.
			Students can compare how similar ideas are presented in different texts.
		Crafting of language for effect	A clear viewpoint or 'voice' is established in written work.
	4		Writing shows understanding of purpose, text type and audience.
			Writing contains a variety of language methods for effect.
5 G	5	Textual cohesion and effective use of sentence structures	Writing is well constructed and appropriately paragraphed.
WRITING			Writing contains a range of sentence types and structures.
W			Writing contains a variety of punctuation.
		Spelling and vocabulary	Vocabulary selection is appropriate for the task set.
	6		Spelling of familiar words is accurate.
			Some spelling of unfamiliar, ambitious vocabulary is accurate.
		Think and organise talk	Opinions are expressed clearly with a coherent, organised line of argument
(5)	7		Discussion is structured, summarising and building on what has been said
& LISTENING			Questioning of others is increasingly confident and analytical comments are developing
STEN			Group discussion shows increasing awareness of the contribution of others
% LI!	8	Listening and group skills	Group collaboration includes appropriate responses to the comments of others
			Contribution to discussion develops the comments of others
SPEAKING			Speaking shows increasing awareness of pitch and tone and gestures to suit the different genre of talk
SPE	9	Appropriate verbal linguistic choices for a variety	Spoken language shows use of varied language techniques for effect
	,	of audiences & performance/delivery	Standard English is used confidently in a range of formal and informal contexts, including classroom discussion

# **Current Scheme of Work**

WEEK	TOPIC	OBJECTIVES	CONTENT	ASSESSMENT/HOMEWORK
1	What is Game Design?	•	<ul> <li>Introduction to the course</li> <li>Understanding the         Assessment</li> <li>Understanding the game         design process</li> <li>Mood boards</li> <li>Development logs</li> </ul>	
2	Pre-Production - Genre & Theme	•	<ul> <li>Basics of games</li> <li>Understanding types</li> <li>Understanding features</li> <li>Understanding sprite &amp; level design</li> <li>Rough Guides</li> <li>Development logs</li> </ul>	HOMEWORK: Level design moodboards
3	Pre-Production – Conceptualising Ideas	•	<ul> <li>Concept phase</li> <li>Basics of sketching</li> <li>Drawing perspective</li> <li>Warming up</li> <li>Importance of concept</li> <li>Idea generation</li> <li>Development logs</li> </ul>	
4	Production – Understanding Photoshop	•	<ul><li>Photoshop basics</li><li>Development logs</li></ul>	HOMEWORK: Concept "doodles"
5	MINI ASSIGNMENT #1	•	<ul> <li>Using photoshop to digitize homework in assessment conditions, applying skills and knowledge gathered from previous lessons</li> <li>Development logs</li> </ul>	ASSESSMENT
6	Production - Get in the Game	•	<ul> <li>Feedback &amp; Improvements from assessment</li> <li>Character theme &amp; narrative</li> </ul>	HOMEWORK: Draw character heads

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			<ul> <li>Archetypes of character design</li> <li>Influencing character &amp; level design through genre</li> <li>Development logs</li> </ul>	
7	Production – Harmonizing	•	<ul><li>Background vs foreground</li><li>Level design mechanics</li><li>Sprite mechanics</li><li>Development logs</li></ul>	
8	Production – Tiling & Tile Sets	•	<ul> <li>Level design &amp; mechanics</li> <li>Tiles &amp; tile sets</li> <li>Visualisation of tiles</li> <li>Isometric design</li> <li>Development logs</li> </ul>	HOMEWORK: Design level tiles
9	MINI ASSIGNMENT #2	•	<ul><li>Using Photoshop to create level tiles</li><li>Development logs</li></ul>	ASSESSMENT
10	Post-Production – Animating Pixels	•	<ul> <li>Feedback &amp; Improvements</li> <li>Keyframes</li> <li>Tweening</li> <li>Basics of Motion</li> <li>Sprite arrays</li> <li>Life has pointless movements</li> <li>Development logs</li> </ul>	HOMEWORK: Flipbook animation exercise
11	MINI ASSESSMENT #3	•	<ul><li>Animating characters across level tiles</li><li>Development logs</li></ul>	ASSESSMENT
12	Next Steps: Advancing Your Media Career	•	<ul> <li>Feedback &amp; Improvements</li> <li>Building a portfolio</li> <li>Where to go from here</li> <li>Science before the fall</li> </ul>	

# Assessment feedback grid focusing on the Key Learning Indicators

All criteria in the central column must be met for a student to be making expected progress in these skills. What will the learning look like?

Le	earning Indicator Ref	Learning Indicator Description	Working Towards Access Supported	Working At Consistent Secure	Working Beyond Mastery Independence
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# **Assessment Map Overview**

Learning Indicator Ref	Learning Indicator Description- All KLI's are covered 3-4 times over the period of a year.	When	Format
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KLI 6 KLI 7	Quality Of Outcomes Through Use Of Specialist Technical Principles - Students outcomes meet almost all of the project's success criteria. KLI6  Technical Terminology - Students use correct specialist technical terminology used correctly within the unit of work. KLI7	Publishing Media & Design	Formative Assessment  - Presentation of First Draft Final Concept (Production End – Class Presentation)
KLI 5 KLI 6 KLI 7	Quality Presentation - Appropriate communication techniques are used to communicate design thinking clearly and effectively. KLI5  Quality of Outcomes Through Use Of Specialist Technical Principles - Students outcomes meet almost all of the project's success criteria. KLI6  Technical Terminology - Students use correct specialist technical terminology used correctly within the unit of work. KLI7	Publishing Media & Design	Summative Assessment – Presentation of Final Product