Photography	
Teacher in charge of subject	Mrs Donathy
Type of qualification	A level
Exam board and subject code	AQA Art & Design (Photography) A Level 7206
Entry requirements	
Specific subject requirement	Grade 4 in GCSE Art or a student not having taken Art will be considered on the basis of a suitable portfolio of work.
Course details	

The Photography course is a two year A-Level in which you will be taught how to make informed decisions about your own creative practice and the world around you in a culture of experimentation, exploration and critical reflection.

You will learn how to use a broad range of photographic techniques influenced and inspired by the work of contemporary and traditional photographers, designers and artists. The photography tutors will expect you to investigate and reflect upon your own practice to take imaginative and creative risks in the images you produce.

You will be taught the Techniques of Production of photography, Adobe Photoshop and explore Documentary, Still Life and Abstract photography before developing a personal project. You have your own Sixth Form Studio in D10 with access to computers in which you can develop your portfolio outside of lessons. The course is designed using Microsoft OneNote and your final portfolio will be a digital Flip eBook that can be accessed online.

Each individual student will develop their own visual style influenced by the taught photographic workshops. The skills you will develop will be wide and varied with a particular focus on personal expression and developing your own style and approach. The most exciting aspect of photography is that you are capturing the world as you see it.

Assessment

At A-level for component 1 you will develop work for a personal investigation into an idea, issue, concept or theme supported by written material. This will count for 60% of your total A-level marks. In component 2 you will produce personal work in response to one of eight exciting starting points which will count for 40% of your total A-level marks.

Career options

If you have an adventurous, creative and enquiring mind and are excited by shaping and determining the visual world around us, there is a career opportunity waiting for you. At the end of the A-level course you will have the skills, knowledge and understanding needed for higher education studying a wide range of Art and Design courses.