



Penryn  
College

"Achieving through Challenge"

October 2022

Dear Student and Parent/Carer(s)

Welcome to Year 11 and the final stages of your time here at Penryn College. In the next few months, art and textile students will be working towards their final unit of coursework for their GCSE course. All pupils will be having a 10hr mock exam in November (date to be confirmed).

The GCSE is broken up into two parts. 60% of the final mark will come from their course work which has been done in Year 10 and the autumn term of Year 11. The remaining 40% of the final marks will come from the external set component. All pupils will be given an externally set task from the start of January 2023. Pupils will respond to their chosen starting point from an externally set assignment paper relating to their subject title, evidencing coverage of all four assessment objectives.

<b>AO1 researching and investigating a theme</b>	<b>25 marks</b>
<b>AO2 experimentation and development of ideas</b>	<b>25 marks</b>
<b>AO3 observation</b>	<b>25 marks</b>
<b>AO4 Personal response.</b>	<b>25 marks</b>

Pupils will spend 10hrs finishing off their project in exam conditions.

We encourage pupils to choose a question that both relates to their interests and their artistic strengths. Pupils will have over two months to develop their ideas and plan for a personal response to the question.

It is very important that all our pupils spend time in their lessons focusing on their work. We find that pupils are far more confident about their work when they have spent at least 1 hr each week on homework. There is a chance for our pupils to do homework every Thursday after school for art and every Tuesday for textiles.

As all work that pupils do is Non-exam assessment (NEA) the pupils work will be marked by the College and moderated by AQA. This normally occurs in June.



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Yours faithfully

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