

SUBJECT GCSE Media Studies	YEAR: 11
HEAD OF DEPARTMENT: Mr A Wallis	
GROUPING POLICY: Students are in mixed ability sets. All students have the opportunity to access the full course content	
<p>COURSE CONTENT</p> <p>Examination board: OCR Website: www.ocr.org.uk Website link to Specification: http://www.ocr.org.uk/qualifications/gcse-media-studies-j526-from-2012/</p> <p>What will my child learn? The GCSE Media Studies covers a range of practical and theoretical skills. In Year 11, students focus on developing their theoretical and analytical skills. Throughout the course students will also develop a range of transferable skills that include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Researching existing media products. ● How to analysis the technical components of a film extract. ● Learning how to present ideas a group. ● Learning how to develop and apply pre-production skills. ● Evaluating their work and suggesting areas for improvement. 	
<p>What will homework look like? Homework will frequently take the form of research tasks that help support the work that the student is doing in school.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Examples of this would be watching and analysing the technical components of an action film. ● Considering issues of representation in sitcom. ● Research a range of technical terms and applying them. 	
<p>What enrichment opportunities are available?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Students will be encouraged to enter local and national competitions. ● A range of video and still camera equipment is available for students to borrow to continue their work at home ● Student can volunteer to support Rednock TV. 	
ASSESSMENT	

How will my child's work be assessed?

Students have completed 2 Units in Years 10.

Year 11 will focus on paring for the textual analysis and media studies exam.

Unit 1: **The Individual Media Studies Portfolio (30%)**

Unit 2: **Production Portfolio in Media Studies (30%)**

Exam: **Textual Analysis and Media Studies Topic (40%)**

Coursework will take the form of a real life industrial brief that students will have to address. Evidence for these units will take the form of written and practical work and exhibition.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION**How can I support my child in this subject?**

Although equipment is provided on the course, it is also helpful if the students can have the opportunity to practise at home. Most cameras, phones and tablet computers have the ability to take photos and videos.

We will also be looking at Action Adventure films and Television Comedy during Year 11. Encouraging your child to watch a broad range of these films/programmes would be helpful followed by a discussion of the how the media text has been constructed.

Areas that you could discuss are:

- intended audience
- camerawork
- editing
- lighting
- use of locations and sets
- use of props and costumes.

How can I support my child with exams?

Helping students to organise their notes into topics and practice questions.

There will be a broad range of revision materials on the school's Google Classroom.