

Subject name	Visual Art
Subject code	ART
Course overview	Students study art disciplines such as drawing, painting and ceramics (clay). Preliminary activities lead into the production of a major piece of work in each discipline. Topics covered include self-portraits, still life, scapes and sculptures.
Course outline	Students in Year 8 will: <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Experiment with art materials like acrylic paint, clay, watercolour, pastels, inks, etc.- Develop technical skills by making artworks- Represent ideas, thoughts, feelings and observations of the world in visual ways- Study the key components of art commonly known as the elements of design
Assessment	<ul style="list-style-type: none">- foundation theory exam- a major painting or- a major drawing or- a major ceramic item- preliminary activities and tasks- a visual folio of notes and handouts
Subject requirements	Students should expect to devote some time outside of class for the completion of practical tasks. Art rooms are open to students during lunch times for this purpose. All students are required to have a basic kit of art equipment that includes: <ul style="list-style-type: none">- 2 x 2B pencils- 1 x soft white eraser- Paintbrushes (sizes 2, 4, 6 and 8 – available from the Textbook Office)- A basic set of colouring pencils- A basic set of felt pens- An old shirt/protective clothing (optional)
Career opportunities	Advertising, architect, critic, fashion, ceramicist, illustrator, film and television production, design, florist, costume designer, jeweller, landscape, interior design, photo journalist, plastic surgeon, sculptor, set design, lecturer, print maker, urban planner, weaver, woodcarver, stylist, stonemason, sign painter, curator.