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Dear Parent/Carer,

Re. Y11 GCSE Fine Art Communication Controlled Test

Art and Design Controlled Test, key dates, instructions and an outline for the preparation period are as follows:-

Fine Art exam paper will be issued during the first lesson after the Christmas break. Students are expected to select one starting point (question) from this and produce a portfolio (sketchbook) exploring and developing their ideas before their Controlled Test period. Note: Students may start their final personal response before the exam session and this will be photographed prior to the exam.

TOTAL CONTROLLED TEST SESSION TIME ALLOWED: 10 hours

- **CONTROLLED TEST SESSION 1 - Thursday 19th April 2018** – period 1 – 5 (4 hours)
- **CONTROLLED TEST SESSION 2 - Tuesday 24th April 2018** - period 1 – 5 (4 hours)
- **Deadline for Exam lesson - Friday 4th May 2018**

The remaining time for the controlled Test Session will be finished during normal timetabled lessons.

IMPORTANT: Preparation studies, which include sketchbook/study journal, models or sculptures, must be handed in at the start of the exam. Any further development must be part of the final 10 hours under controlled, supervised conditions. Attendance during this preparation period is vital, as is attendance at the Controlled Test Exam sessions

YEAR 11 COURSEWORK

All Year 11 Fine Art coursework should be finished and handed in by **Friday, 12th January 2018**. Support sessions will be available during the first week back after Christmas and it is essential that your child attend if coursework remains incomplete.

It is important that parents check students' sketchbooks, this will help ensure that your child is producing their best work and will help identify if extra advice or support is needed in school. Guidance notes will be issued to students to help structure their project. There will be an opportunity to review coursework at the start of May, when it will be marked alongside the Exam preparation work and final piece.

Yours sincerely

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Curriculum Leader Art

