

KS3 Media Sudies (2018 onwards)

Autumn Term	Topic	Further Details About The Topic
First half of the term:	Introduction to the world	Scholars will begin to develop an
September – October 2018 Second half of the term : November – December 2018	Introduction to the world of Media Studies & the 4 major concepts for learning : • Media Language • Industry • Representation • Audience & The Advertising Industry (Targeting UK Audiences) The Magazine Industry (UK Popular Culture)	Scholars will begin to develop an awareness of advertising and its relevance in the world around us. Guided through a series of activities designed to provide practical application (through the use of computer programmes such as Microsoft Word, Power Point and Publisher , & Adobe Photoshop) scholars will have an opportunity to analyse the codes and conventions associated with audio/visual, print and online formats, whilst learning how the industry operates in the UK. This part of the course supports literacy growth as scholars will also have opportunities to investigate the impact trending vocabulary has on UK audiences. Scholars will now focus their attention on the key skill of REPRESENTATION, learning how to analysis the way images and language are used to steer reader's views and tastes. Scholars will investigate key terms, such as STEREOTYPES, DEMOGRAPHICS in the search to uncover what makes the UK Magazine market so successful and influential when it comes to trends, fads, 'fomo', celebrity status, & other aspects of popular UK culture. Guided through a series of technical studies, scholars will apply their skills to create their own magazine covers, developing production skills [Windows and iOS systems] as they work in teams to beat the clock and meet publishing deadlines.
Spring Term	<u>Topic</u>	Further Details About The Topic
First half of the term : January – February 2019	The Music Industry (Global Marketing & Promotion)	Now equipped with a range of specialist language and technical terminology, scholars will examine the Music Industry through the specific PLATFORMS of A/V Promotion, Social Media and Digital Radio. The aim of the project is to understand the way the industry brings new talent



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Second half of the term : February – April 2019	The Film Industry (Narrative Theory Study)	to the surface and how it sustains long term artistes in the public light. Scholars will analyse online services such as YouTube and discover the potential of film to promote music. Attention will be drawn towards the way the industry operates and scholars will get the opportunity to learn the history behind the industry as it copes with the ever changing FORMATS used to present Artistes/Bands to the public. Guided by a series of case studies, scholars will then apply their key skills [photography, film production, copywriting] to create and promote a brand new band on two DIGITAL PLATFORMS. Scholars will get to grips with the Pre & Post Production processes from planning to practical application as they assert their knowledge of REPRESENATATION, AUDIENCE, & INDUSTRY. This part of the year will focus on scholar's writing skills as we unpick the complex world of the most influential audio/visual genres, to understand HYBRID (or) CROSSOVER genres and in particular, how they represent their time – artistically, politically, technically. Scholars will also gain an understanding of the way the industry functions when promoting new films, examining the role of the TEASER TRAILER in cinemas and through online providers. Particular attention will be given to examining <u>SAFEGUARD</u> mechanisms in the industry in the shape of Film CENSORSHIP & CLASSIFICATION. Attention will be drawn towards STORYBOARDING & SCREEN WRITING
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Summer Term	<u>Topic</u>	Further Details About The Topic
First half of the term :	The Newspaper Industry	News shapes our understanding of
May – June 2019		events and influences opinions.
		Scholars will take an in depth look at the
		changing face of the British Newspaper
		Industry and its shift to providing an
		online service.
		Composition Terminology such as,
		MASTHEAD, HEADLINE, STRAPLINE,
		BY-LINE, & STANDFIRST will be
		addressed, as scholars differentiate
		between BROADSHEET and TABLOID
		'papers and their target audiences.
		Scholars will learn about FREE PRESS
		and how political views can shape
		current affairs.
		The focus of attention will be on
		National Newspapers, to help compare
		and contrast delivery of news.
		Ultimately scholars will learn about how
		the Industry is coping with a decline in
		circulation figures by turning to online
		formats and subscription services.
		The eventual goal will be to construct
		front page news (HARD NEWS), pulling
		together theories from throughout the
		year that focus on REPRESENTATION.
		Microsoft PUBLISHER will be the key
		programme but students will also
		access PHOTOSHOP to learn how to
		position the reader through CROPPING
		and other forms of editing.
Second half of the term :	Independent Project	Scholars will be provided with a choice
June – July 2019	(The value of examination	of mock GCSE coursework practicals, to
	style coursework)	apply and consolidate their skills from
		the year.
		Scholars will be provided with a set of
		rules and deadlines in order to provide
		- A written statement of intent
		- A Pre-Production plan
		- A practical product
		- A written evaluation.
		Scholars will have full access to still and
		film camera equipment, Microsoft
		programmes (including Movie Maker),
		iOS iMovie, & Adobe Photoshop.
		Strict deadlines will be in place to
		prepare for entry in their GCSE years in
		Year 10.
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