

D&T at Balcarras



Subject	Year	Specialism
Design and Technology	Y10	Product Design

Project

Mock NEA Project

Content (Intent)

Prior Learning: 3 terms of AQA GCSE Design and Technology content

During these two terms the Y10s will complete a trial GCSE exam and a mock NEA. This fully prepares them for the expectation of Y11 and gives us a clear indication of where we can support them to help develop and strengthen them further. Both the exam and NEA trials will be a condensed and focused version of the full GCSE expectations.

Future Learning: AQA Design and Technology official NEA

How will knowledge and skills be taught (Implementation)

Mock NEA

Pupils will be given a list of past AQA contexts and will have to choose one to focus on for their mock NEA. They will be shown example projects and assessment criteria to help them complete their projects. Pupils will then drive their own projects encouraging individual learning and progress. During these two terms pupils will create:

A mind map of idea

Analysis of existing products

Design brief and Specification

Desian Ideas

A prototype

An evaluation

Trial Exam

Topics in the trial exam will cover these areas:

New and Emerging Technologies

Energy, Materials and Systems

Materials and Their Working Properties

Technical principles

Selected Material

Designing Principles

Making Principles

In the weeks running up to the trial exam students will be given revision lists and resources bespoke to their exam.

All skills and work for the NEA and trial exam will be taught and developed through teacher led lessons, demonstrations, creating bespoke resources for lessons and tasks, homework,

practice questions and past papers.

How will your understanding be assessed & recorded (Impact)

Assessment

Pupils work will be assessed in a variety of ways

- Teacher assessment
- Written and verbal feedback will be given
- Practical work verbal feedback given
- Homework will be assessed in line with dept policy
- A condensed version of an NEA project in trial for the official NEA in June
- Exam questions will be used frequently, marked and graded in line with the AQA assessment criteria.

Main areas of assessment:

Exercise books/ Classwork Practical samples of technical skills Homework

Mock NEA

How can parents help at home?

Students will be given homework tasks on a weekly basis, It would be great if you could remind your child to check the VLE for tasks and keep up to date on homework's. Allowing time to be spent on the completion of the mock NEA task, going through resources on the VLE and R drive which have been set out to support the students in completing their work. Encouraging your child to revise GCSE topics in readiness for the trial exams.

Helpful further reading/discussion (including Reading and Vocabulary Lists)

Websites and reading www.technologystudent.com

VLE D&T GCSE PD page CGP - GCSE AQA Design & Technology

Vocabulary

Context, investigation, product analysis, iterative design, mixed media, context, design brief, specification, measurable, iustification, technical process, auality control, analysis and evaluation.

Careers Links

Product Design Engineering Architecture Graphic Design Branding and marketing Project Management Eco-design