



D&T at Balcarras					
Subject	Year		Specialism		
Design and Technology	Year 13		Product Design		
Project					
A Level Exam Preparation					
Content (Intent)					
Prior Learning: KS4 Theory – Y12 and Y13 Mock Exam prep					
Important – this content is taught throughout the 2 year A level course in timetabled theory lessons. It is then revised once the NEA project is completed. Technical Principles content includes: Adhesives Biodegradable Polymers Classification of materials Composites Design communication Design for manufacturing, maintenance, repair and disposal Digital design and manufacture Enhancements of materials Enterprise and marketing Feasibility studies		 Materials and their applications Metal processes Metals Methods for investigating and testing materials Modern industrial and commercial practice Modern materials Paper and board processes Papers and boards Polymer processes Polymer-based sheet and film Polymers Protecting designs and intellectual property Smart materials The requirements for product design and development The use of finishes Wood processes 			

Future Learning - A Level Summer Exams - Degree and apprenticeship knowledge

How will knowledge and skills be taught (Implementation)	How will your understanding be assessed & recorded (Impact)
To teach the content the following strategies are	Assessment

used:

Teacher led lesson content

Health and safety

- Independent learning tasks
- Group discussion/debates and questioning
- Using product design terminology
- Reference to design examples throughout

Assessment

Woods

- End of topic assessment
- Past Paper responses and essays. Marked and feedback given.
- Verbal responses. Individual and class feedback given.
- Key term tests

How can parents help at home?

- Discussing ideas and content at home & linking it to products that they know
- Watch any topical films or documentaries that link to design

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

A Level AQA Revision Notes Text Book **Balcarras Product Design Pages** Mrs Swanepoel YouTube Revision Videos https://www.technologystudent.com/

Reading

Vocabulary

A huge amount of subject specific vocabulary could be listed here!

Please check out the AQA A Level Product Design spec and the VLE pages for lists @

Careers Links

Art and Design careers

Product Design Graphic Design Furniture Design Careers in Engineering (Design Engineering, Mechanical Engineering Project Management