D&T at Balcarras						
Subject	Year			Specialism		
Design Technology	Y13			Art Textiles		
Project						
Non-examination Assessment – Personal Investigation						
Content (Intent)						
Prior Learning: Pupils will utilise and continue to build on knowledge and skills acquired in Year 12 and GCSE.						
The coursework component of Year 13 is titled "Personal Investigation" and requires pupils to identify and explore an area within textiles for close and in-depth study.						
Future Learning: AQA specification, exam preparation						
How will knowledge and skills be taught (Implementation)			How will your understanding be assessed & recorded (Impact)			
NEA Pupils will undertake their own "personal investigation". They will be provided with opportunities to develop knowledge, skills and understanding appropriate to their chosen area(s) of study. Pupils must demonstrate greater maturity and depth in skills, knowledge and understanding gained from year 12.			Assessment Pupils work will be assessed in a variety of ways Teacher assessment and target setting Sketchbooks will be regularly reviewed. Written and verbal feedback will be given regularly Practical work – verbal feedback given. Main areas of assessment:			
Emphasis should be on self-directed study. Pupils will be expected to work independently, demonstrating increasing confidence in their ability to explore and handle ideas, issues or themes, materials, techniques and processes.			Sketchbooks and practical outcomes form the total focus of assessment. Progress "snapshots" will occur throughout the year in line with the school reporting schedule for sixth form. The NEA "Personal Investigation" will be formally assessed against AQA guidelines and marking matrix. Pupils will be			
Pupils will be given opportunities to explore the nature of materials, experiment with their uses and will be given opportunities to discuss works of art, craft and design and to explore how ideas, feelings and meanings and how they can be conveyed and interpreted in images and objects.			expected to de the following are • clarifying the f • demonstrating and other sourc	monstrate evidence and skill against eas. ocus of the investigation g critical understanding of contextual		

and objects.

Pupils will be directed through the written component of the project with exemplar responses and modelling of good practise by staff.

od practise by staff. critically on practical work making meaningful connections between, visual, written and other elements producing a personal response to a chosen theme

development and refinement of ideas

to intentions by reflecting

and realising intentions.

• recording ideas, observations and insights relevant

How can parents help at home?

Parents and guardians can help by encouraging pupils to develop independent working practices. They can support the development of their work by facilitating visits to galleries and museums and access to appropriate equipment and resources.

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

Reading	Vocabulary	Careers Links
Pupils should seek out and read	Rationale	Clothing/textile technologist
articles, interviews, blogs and	Initial intention	Colour technologist
essays pertinent to their chosen	Contemporary practice	Illustrator
theme of study for their personal	Substantiate	Interior and spatial designer
investigation. These should be	Well-articulated	Fashion designer
clearly referenced, and a	Cultural context	Printmaker
bibliography is required.	Reflection	Textile designer