Subject: Visual Arts

Curriculum Aims

To enable students to:

- strengthen their abilities to appreciate and create various forms of visual arts work aesthetically and critically;
- develop perceptual abilities, generic skills, and meta-cognition through autonomous and open-ended processes of inquiry in visual arts learning;
- enhance multiple perspectives, and cultural and cross cultural understanding through exploration of the visual arts of diverse cultures;
- cultivate personal refinement, values and attitudes, self-identity and a sense of commitment towards the community, the nation and the world;
- acquire a foundation for pursuing educational and career opportunities in the visual arts, and creative industries.

	Curriculum Framework and Progression of Study				
SS1	 Knowledge in Visual Arts I: Visual language, art forms and art media, signs and symbols Western Art I Art Skill Training Appreciation and Criticism I 				
-	Art Studio: Drawing, painting, photography and graphic design				
SS2	 Knowledge in Visual Arts II: Ways of seeing, image and image development strategies, art in context, value and culture Western Art II Chinese Art I Local Art I and Contemporary Art Appreciation and Criticism Research Workbook and Art Portfolio Art skill training 				
	Art Studio: Illustration, painting, ceramics, printmaking and Chinese Art				
SS3	 Knowledge in Visual Arts III: Modes of presentation, value and attitudes, contextual expression Chinese Art II Western Art III Local Art II 				
	 Local Alt II Appreciation and Criticism III Research Workbook and Art Portfolio Art skill multi-media practices Art Studio: Drawing, Painting, sculpture, graphic design and multi-media 				

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Assessment					
	Components	Weighting	Duration		
Public Examination	Choose either Paper 1 <u>or</u> Paper 2 Paper 1: Visual presentation of a theme Paper 2: Design Each paper is divided into two parts. Part A Art Appreciation and criticism (45 minutes) 10% Write a critical appreciation of the reproductions of artwork Part B Painting / Design (3 hours and 15 minutes) 40%	50%	4 hours		
School-Based Assessment	 ONE Portfolios consisting of: (a) Research workbook: 20% *Presentations on art appreciation and criticism in context in relation to art making/ critical studies, and research process (b) Artwork/ Critical studies: 30% *four pieces of work in one portfolio of a theme 	50%			