Curriculum Overview

Subject: Media Studies

Year Group: 10



Curriculum Intent: The Media Studies department at Chase High School aims to develop student's ability to engage with a variety of different media texts. Students will understand the importance of the media industry, the impact it has on the world and how the target audience carefully constructs media text for consumption. They will creatively design, edit and produce their own media products for their coursework, gaining knowledge in Photoshop to produce creative new media products.

TERM 1	TERM 2	TERM 3
KNOWLEDGE/SKILLS	KNOWLEDGE/SKILLS	KNOWLEDGE/SKILLS
Introduction to media / Knowledge	Component 1: Exploring Media Products	8 May Final Deadline – Component 1
Component 1: Exploring Media Products		15 May – Final deadline sent to exam board
Students will explore the concepts needed to	January – May	
successfully complete assessed coursework. Practical	Pupils complete an assessed piece of work on a	June – July
skills are also developed.	theme provided by the exam board. (This	
<u>-</u>	changes every year).	Skills for Component 2 Developing Digital Media
Practical skills: Mood boards / mind maps / Photoshop	Vocational Context given to student – they will	Production Skills and Component 3: Create a media
techniques / storyboarding / typography	explore a certain theme.	product in response to a brief
	Use research techniques to select media	
Component One Knowledge:	products.	
Creating a questionnaire		Generating ideas - mind maps / mood boards /
Purpose of Media products	Taskl – Investigate Media Products	questionnaires
Target Audiences	One from these sectors:	Drawn Mock ups
Social Class / psychographics	Audio / moving image, print and interactive	Thumbnails
Textual Analysis if media products	media products.	Digital Mock Ups
Magazine / film poster layout keywords	Look at forms / purposes / types of audiences.	Layout & design
Genre		Colour schemes
Camera shots & angles	Task 2 - Explore how media products are	Typography
Propp & Todorov	created to provide meaning and engage	Photoshop techniques
Mise en scene	audiences	Practice coursework scenario
Sound	how genre, narrative and representation are	Print based media products
	used	
	how media production techniques are used	
	how genre, narrative, representation and	
	media production techniques combine to	
	create meaning and engage audiences.	
	PPE day for coursework completion	

KEY ASSESSMENTS	KEY ASSESSMENTS	KEY ASSESSMENTS
January – May Component 1	January to May	15 May - Component 1 Deadline

Extended reading suggestions and external resources:

https://qualifications.pearson.com/en/qualifications/btec-tech-awards/creative-media-production-2022.html

Adobe Photoshop 2025 Handbook: A Comprehensive Guide to Mastering the Art of Image Editing with AI-Powered Tools and Generative Features for Professionals