

JULY 2023

ART NEWSLETTER



Welcome to the Art Newsletter! We are so excited to celebrate the incredible work of our students and established artists. We also have many craft ideas and competitions to keep you busy over the summer!

We hope you enjoy!

INSPIRATIONAL ARTIST OF THE TERM

Zoe Bradley



Zoe Bradley is a British Paper Artist, who discovered her love of paper while making experimental, hand pleated showpieces for the Japanese fashion designer, Michiko Koshino. She found a real love for craftsmanship and developed an eye for a show stopping silhouette, purely formed through the delicate and careful crafting of paper. Bradley describes herself as if she were a tailor, "*I work with paper just as a designer works with fabric: folding, pleating, curling and stitching the material*". In order to accomplish her work, Bradley draws each petal by hand and a machine cuts it for precision. The petals are then formed using a bradawl and a heated tong. She creates detail by using hand scoring techniques. This all helps to capture the delicate intricacies of a blooming rose. She will repeat this process multiple times for many flowers in order to form extravagant pieces, such as her extraordinary dresses and headpieces. Her work is heavily inspired by the natural world and the beauty of the flowers that surround her rural home. Her work has been exhibited all across the world, in Asia, Europe and even America.

"I work instinctively with paper rather than mathematically, the flow of the piece is important to me so there is life and movement in the silhouette."

Feel Inspired?

This artist was particularly appropriate for KS3 due the spectacular success of the Paper Headpieces created by Year 9 as part of Enrichment Week. If you feel inspired by this artist, there are many easy and available ways for you to have a go yourself as her work uses paper; a common material we can all access. One way is through the art form of Origami, and learning this is very simple and quick. If you feel inspired by this artist, all you need is paper! The art form of Origami can be very pleasing and simple to learn.

Origami- Tutorials to try:

Easy:

<https://youtu.be/gml2j4bvT88>

If you are new to origami, try making this really simple yet cute flower bookmark to help get you started!

Moderate:

https://youtu.be/BPSh5r2xF_U

Want a slight challenge? Have a go at crafting your own origami fox!

Hard:

<https://youtu.be/VgXwSdJNks8>

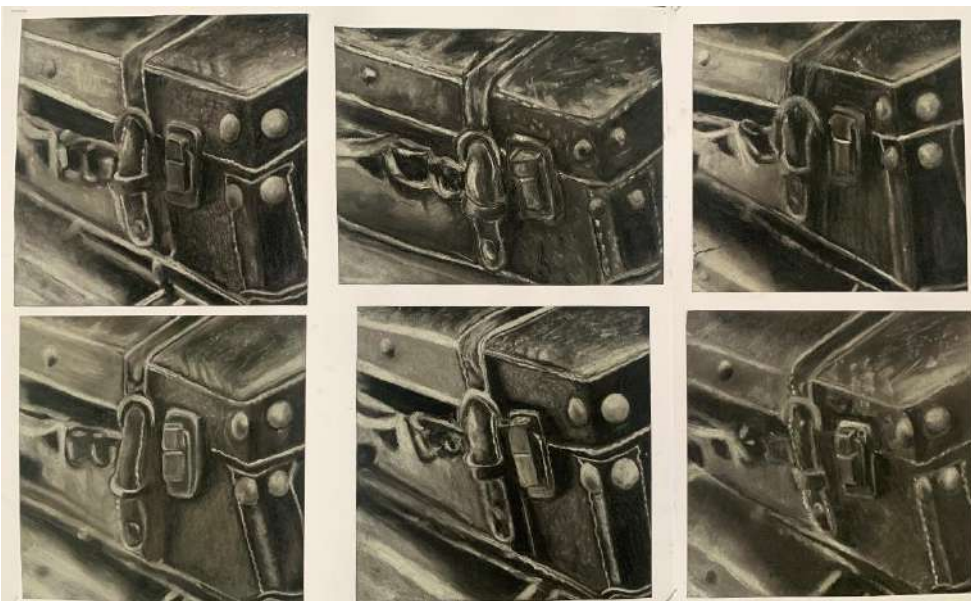
Good Luck with this one. This is "illusion origami". It is very tricky !

WHAT HAVE KS3 BEEN UP TO?

Year 7 students are currently exploring the theme of 'Seascapes', taking inspiration from artists such as Kurt Jackson and Georgia O'Keefe. They have been practising their watercolour and acrylic skills; as well as exploring colour theory and the colour wheel.



Year 8 have been exploring the theme of “Journeys”. Their inspiration is Abdulrazaq Awofeso’s “Do you know who I am” collection. Last year, Awofeso’s work featured in the Ikon Gallery in Brindley place. Currently, Year 8 students have been working with cardboard to create a self-portrait using the artists’ method as well as embroidering from a satellite image of a journey they have chosen.



Year 9 is studying the theme of “Evacuees” and producing a yearlong installation. The students had the freedom to choose their media from: textiles, painting, drawing, printing and sculpture.

KS3 Graphics students were really pleased to be able to complete a full project this year as this has been much harder over previous years due to Covid and lack of software access!



Year 7 completed Halloween themed, scary creature phone case designs.

Year 8 completed Tourism/Architecture themed t-shirt prints.



Year 9 completed Endangered Species Campaign Posters.

All students practiced “making art traditionally” alongside using the digital software programs Adobe Photoshop and Adobe Illustrator!

A big well done to all our Art and Graphics students!

ART WORK OF THE HALF TERM

Congratulations to the following Art and Graphics students

Jaish S (KS3 Graphics)

Hiba F (KS3 Art)

Mary P (KS4 Graphics)

Omorinsola A (KS4 Art)

Khadeeja I (KS5 Graphics)

Caitlyn G (KS5 Art)

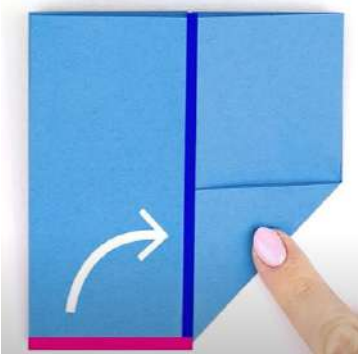


“ARTY” THINGS TO DO WHEN YOU’RE BORED

Do you want to do more art, but it is too hard? Do you love creating art but you find you never have the time? Do you admire artists and want to be one yourself, but it is never accessible enough? Then this article is for you! Here are a few ideas to get you started this summer.

ART Competition

An art contest will be taking place after the summer holiday. To enter, simply pick one of the below ideas and have a go! Please drop Ms Aubury an email if you are interested or if you have any questions. The deadline for any submissions is next Friday, 15th September.



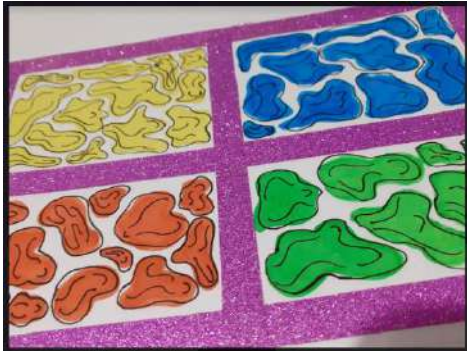
Origami

Is your desk very messy? Would you like to have a mini organiser on your desk to clear it up? Keep reading to find out how *you* can do this amazing origami! Let’s begin. All you need is 2-3 pieces of square paper of any size and a black marker. If you are using one-side coloured paper, start with the **blank** side up.

Start by folding the piece of paper up. Open it up again. Fold half of the paper up to the middle again, using the crease you have just made. Do the same to the top. Turn the paper so it is like a tall cupboard. Fold the bottom side to the top. Fold both bottom corners up as shown on the image (fold the pink line to the blue line). Open the right corner and fold it inside. Do the same with the left corner. Now it should look like an arrow. Turn the paper again, but this time so that the arrowhead is pointing to the left. Fold the bottom to the middle again. Do the same with the top. Now flip the origami over and repeat this process. Turn it again so the arrow head is pointing up this time.

Now we are at the hard part. Fold the point of the arrow down, so the origami is now a rectangle. Press down on it. This might be hard, especially if you are using card. Open it up again and flip the paper over. Do the same on the other side. Fold over the two flaps. Fold down the triangle at the top. Flip the origami over and do the same. Point the arrow head upside down and draw a cute face in the rectangle shown. Open the box gently. Repeat this whole process again. Tuck the flaps of one of the boxes inside. Stack this newly folded box on top of the old box.





Doodling

This next one is simple but very cute. Draw a few blobs (preferably using a yellow coloured marker) that are, approximately the size of half your thumb. You can make them really wavy blobs or just simple ovals. Then, using the same colour you used to draw them. After waiting for them to dry, use a black pen to roughly outline them. Allow this to dry for a few seconds as well, then add some smiley faces. You can also curve the faces to fit in the blobs, but this is optional. I have included my own examples as well.

Make Your Own Diy Journal Set - Part 1



Do you want to make your own journal set? Well, in this series of crafting, painting and fun, you can make your own personalised journal. For the first part, you will need a piece of coloured paper, a glue stick, and some kitchen roll in order to make some tape. Take the kitchen roll and cut the end off. Cut the coloured paper into strips. You

could also draw patterns on the strips to make them look pretty. Take the strips and glue their ends together. You should now have one long strip. Glue one end of the strip to a small section of the kitchen roll and wrap it around the kitchen roll. You can do the same thing many times to create more tapes. When you want to use them, simply cut off how much you need and glue it onto where you want it to be.

Painting

For this mini masterpiece, you only need some slightly watered down acrylics, something to paint on, a brush/normal pen and, of course, a paintbrush. To start, paint a blob in the middle of the page and fill it in. Paint a few more blobs around the page. Try to make them quite big. Use a different colour for each blob. Draw a plant in the middle using your brush pen. Brush pens work better for this task, but you can also use a normal pen. Then draw a few wavy lines around the edges. You can then add a few tiny triangles around the page in little sections. This is called boho art.



“ARTY” RECOMMENDATION OF THE TERM

Our “arty” recommendation of the term, of course, has to be the Liverpool Biennial. The Art Department took their year 10 and 12 artists to the Biennial and it is safe to say they all had a fantastic day. The range of artists and works this year is beyond impressive and will most certainly not disappoint. Check out <https://www.biennial.com/2023-artists/> for more information.

Liverpool Biennial

10 June – 17 September 2023

Liverpool Biennial is the UK’s largest festival of contemporary visual art.
The 12th edition is open from 10 June - 17 September 2023.

Welcome to Liverpool

Now
open



Learn more about the theme for our 12th edition 'uMoya: The Sacred Return of Lost Things'

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A LEVEL SUMMER EXHIBITION

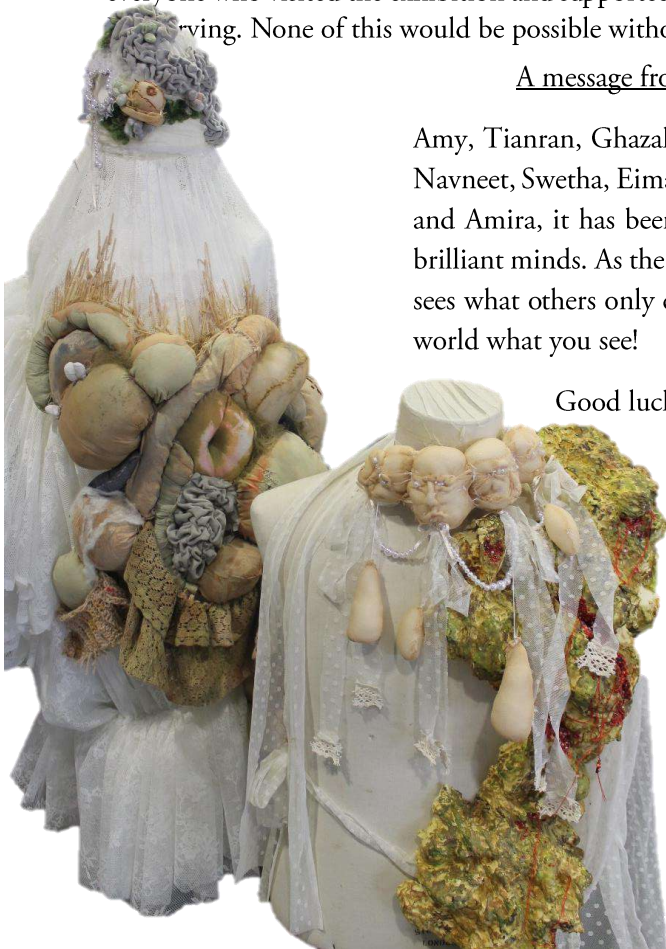


On Tuesday 4th July, the Art Department celebrated the work of their Year 13 leavers in the annual summer art exhibition. Year 13 wowed their audience with a range of work including textiles, film, and printmaking. Thank you to everyone who visited the exhibition and supported our Year 13 artists. Finally, a special thank you to the wonderful host, Mrs. Irving. None of this would be possible without you.

A message from Miss Irving and Ms Aubury

Amy, Tianran, Ghazala, Simran, Alice, Jaya H, Sofeeya, Erin, Navneet, Swetha, Eimaan, Jaya S, Bryony, Katie, Arya, Jia Ying and Amira, it has been a pleasure to witness your talents and brilliant minds. As the great Leonardo da Vinci said “The artist sees what others only catch a glimpse of”. So go and show the world what you see!

Good luck Year 13, we will miss you!



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