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Dear Parent/Guardian

Re. Year 10 Art and Photography five hour exam Spring term 2025

- As you may be aware GCSE Art and Photography students complete coursework or NEA Non Exam assessment
- NEA is weighted at 60% of students GCSE grade in this subject
- NEA is component 1 of 2 component 2 is the final exam project or ESA Externally Set Assignment
- NEA takes the form of 2 units Unit 1 year 10 exam autumn and spring term 1 plus a 5 hour exam AND unit 2 Year 10 spring term 2. Summer term and year 11 Autumn term 1 and a final 10 hour exam
- Exams fit in to a school day with normal break times in the case of the 10 hour exam this will take place over two school days
- Since the start of September, year 10 art and photography students have been working on their first unit of coursework (NEA); this will be resolved with their 5 hour exam -<u>this is coursework and does go</u> <u>towards your child's GCSE grade</u>
- The five hour exams will be held in the week beginning 10th February 2025 your child's teachers will inform them of the date

Prior to students year 10 five hour exam date:

- Students will continue to plan and prepare in lesson time under the guidance of their class teacher
- Students will create a plan for their 5 hour independent exam they will also need to arrange any
 materials and equipment as necessary
 Inform their class teacher of any unchangeable medical appointments such as hospital / CAMHS /
 orthodontist
- Can make use of the Drop In on Monday evening if required

On the day of students Year 10 five hour exam:

- Students do not go to tutor time they register in the exam
- Work on their planned outcome/s for the duration of the 5 hour exam
- Follow all unusual exam conduct expectations
- Have normal break times etc

Yours sincerely,

Mrs. Emma Lynch

Subject Leader Art, Wildern School



