

September 2021

Dear Parent/Carer

I am writing to inform you of the requirements for KS3 in Art & Design.

Your child will be provided with an A4 soft backed sketchbook by the school in which they will produce both class work and their homework. To enable us to provide a rich and varied curriculum we ask for £0.66 to cover the cost of the sketchbook. The method for payment is via ParentPay. Please contact jyoung@birchwoodhigh.org.uk if you require your ParentPay login details. Your child will receive their sketchbook in class once we have notification of payment from the Finance Department. If you are entitled to Free School Meal Concessions, the cost of the sketchbook will be met by the school, please tick the appropriate box.

Your child will be set on average two pieces of home learning per half term and submission dates will be advised by their individual teacher. A printed version of their home learning for the entire year is in the back of their sketchbook. The list of tasks and further support will also be available through Show my Homework.

We would appreciate you taking the time to discuss the tasks with your child before they complete each piece enabling us to answer any questions you or they may have. Please encourage your child to complete the tasks fully and to a good standard, taking care with their presentation and spending a minimum of 60 minutes on each task.

Support and access to equipment is available at lunchtimes in Art for completion of practical home learning tasks in advance of the due date. We are always happy to see students who wish to work in the department for extra help and advice.

Your child will also benefit from an apron or a thick old shirt to protect their uniform during practical lessons such as painting and 3d making and should bring this to every Art lesson.

Should you have any queries during the year please contact us either on the school number or via email: dmorrison@birchwoodhigh.org.uk or ljackson@brichwoodhigh.org.uk or kpayne@birchwoodhigh.org.uk

Many thanks and we look forward to seeing the work in September.

Yours faithfully

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