



## GCSE Textiles Technology

The GCSE Textiles Technology course provides students with a unique opportunity to develop skills, knowledge and understanding required when handling and studying textile materials, techniques and manufacturing methods. Students are challenged to produce original garments of high quality.

Students will understand industrial practice, fabric construction, fibres and fabrics, product analysis, environmental and sustainable issues, investigating design opportunities and the development of a design proposal.

During this course students gain the skills and knowledge required through a variety of tasks including: a focused design assignment and a techniques and skills assignment.

Throughout the course students will work with a range of fabrics and components using specialist equipment. For example students will use sewing machines, overlockers, heat presses, embroidery machines, felting tools, weaving looms, printing frames, photoshop, etc.

The further study of textiles can lead to careers in; textile management, fashion or costume design, retail management, buying, fashion promotion, fashion buying, education (teacher/lecturer/tutor), fashion photography, theatre design, fashion merchandising, fabric and pattern designer, display and visual merchandising, fabric technology, fashion forecasting and illustration, interior design, sales and marketing, fashion journalism, styling, machinist and fashion advertising.

GCSE Textiles Technology is a practical subject area which requires the application of knowledge and understanding when developing ideas, planning, producing products and evaluating them. Students will develop the necessary skills needed to test, analyse, describe and evaluate during their written responses to investigations and development.



Course: **GCSE Textiles Technology**

Length of Course: **2 Years**

Number of Lessons per Week: **3**

Assessment: **Unit 1 - 40% written exam and**

**Unit 2 - 60% controlled assessment**