

Visual Arts

Learning Area Overview

The learning and teaching program at Kilbreda College is both dynamic and innovative, catering for the students' spiritual, academic, social, emotional and physical development. Students are challenged to be creative, critical and reflective thinkers and to develop a broad and transferable skill set. Opportunities for both independent and collaborative learning are provided and contemporary technologies are integrated throughout the learning and teaching program.

At the College, Visual Arts are valued as expressive, creative and communicative experiences that engage students in critical and creative thinking. We strive to inspire and nurture a love of learning in our students by providing specialist guidance in drawing, painting, ceramics, mixed media, printmaking, photography, visual communication and design and media studies.

Visual Arts studies engage students in a variety of forms, technologies and processes. Students' learning encompasses cognitive, emotional, sensory, aesthetic and kinaesthetic dimensions.

The Visual Arts curriculum encourages students to not only improve their skills in specialist areas, but to also become risk takers and critical thinkers, that strive for excellence.

Studies in this Learning Area provides a wide variety of opportunities to learn beyond the classroom with excursions to many galleries and exhibitions. Creative thinking requires looking at problems or situations with a fresh perspective. Being provided this extension of learning and allowing students to see artwork in person, assists them with developing their individual styles and aides in processing their own conceptual ideas.

Visual Arts Curriculum

The Visual Arts curriculum includes a range of core subjects and electives, both semester based and year long.

| YEAR 7 | YEAR 8 | YEAR 9 |
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| Core Study – Semester Based | Core Study – Semester Based | Elective Studies – Semester Based |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none">Art | <ul style="list-style-type: none">Art/Textiles (1 Term each) | <ul style="list-style-type: none">Art – Paint Draw PrintArt – Ceramics and SculptureMediaVisual Communication Design |
| YEAR 10 | YEAR 11 | YEAR 12 |
| Elective Studies – Semester Based | Elective Studies – Year Long | Elective Studies – Year Long |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none">MediaVisual Communication DesignArt - Exploring 2D and 3D materialsArt - Modern approaches to Art | <ul style="list-style-type: none">Art Creative Practice 1&2Media 1&2Visual Communication Design 1&2 | <ul style="list-style-type: none">Art Creative Practice 3&4Media 3&4Visual Communication Design 3&4 |
| Accelerated Studies (VCE Units 1&2)* | | |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none">Art Creative Practice | | |

*Restricted Entry

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Cocurricular and Enrichment Opportunities

- Catholic Education Creative Arts Exhibition
- Community Art Programs and Installations
- Seasons of Excellence - VCE Top Designs, Top Arts, Top Screen

Annual Events

Visual Arts, Design and Technologies Exhibition

The College's Visual Arts, Design and Technologies Exhibition is a highlight for our College community each year where we acknowledge the talent of our students by exhibiting their work to families, peers and the community. Students' work from Years 7 to Year 12 in the areas of Art, Media and Visual Communication Design are displayed.

This event is multi-disciplinary and is run in collaboration with the Design and Technologies Learning Area where students' work from Textiles, Food Technology and Product Design and Technologies is showcased.

Visual Arts Week

A dedicated week planned by Visual Arts staff along with the Visual Arts student leaders, that highlights the Learning Area and encourages participation from all students in the College.

There are activities every day at lunchtime for students to participate in whilst using their imagination, being creative and having fun.