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News from the Art Department

Year 10 managed to find a small gap in the inclement weather this week to visit the Henry Moore *Drawing in the Dark* exhibition at the St Albans Museum and Gallery.



This was the largest exhibition of coal mining drawings by Moore, who is famous for his sculpture, particularly of women and abstract forms. Moore's drawings of Londoners sheltering from the blitz in 1940 are also well known. But it is often forgotten that Moore was the son of a miner from Castleford in Yorkshire, and as a war artist he developed a detailed series of drawings from sketches he made in 1942 at Wheldale Colliery where his father had worked. Moore spent one week in the mine drawing from observation and then worked from memory to create the remaining drawings, which were all completed within six months.

The Art Department tries to provide students with the opportunity to see live art work as much as possible, as this really helps them to understand how they can develop their own project ideas. The students also visited the Sculpture Walk at The University of Hertfordshire. This presents an eclectic group of works which map the changing characteristics of British Sculpture since the 1950s. Thank you Year 10 for your exemplary behaviour on this trip and to Miss Carter for organising the visit. Thanks also to Mrs Davies, Mrs Hillcoat-Hyde for driving the minibuses and to Mrs Padgham for accompanying the trip. We cannot do these things with your support.



The finalists have been notified for the House Photography Competition 2023. There are representatives for each year group across all four houses. The finalists have until Tuesday 25th April to take some amazing shots in response to the theme: FREEDOM, SPACE or PLACE. An exhibition of all final entries will take place in the first week of May in the main north reception and the winning House will be announced. I can't wait to see the outcomes and I will show a selection of these in the next newsletter. Thank you to everyone who has entered the competition so far. Lots of STAR points will be heading your way!

Miss Challis, Head of Art & The Creative Arts Faculty.



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