



Dare to be Creative

News from the Art Department



House Photography Competition 2023

Last week the Art Department launched the first **House Photography Competition** during year assemblies. The theme this year is: FREEDOM, PLACE & SPACE. The slides from this assembly, promoting the competition and giving ideas for how to respond to the theme, can be found on the form notices. There is a designated google classroom for those students who would like to enter the first round. For the first round, take two photographs of a **significant place**. This should be a location or environment that is important to the student. It does not need to be a grand location and photographs taken on phone cameras are most welcome. The google classroom code is on the form slides and I will send this code out again via an announcement on Classcharts. Students need to enter the first round if they want to be considered for the final. First round entries are due by Tuesday 14th March. Photo files must be labelled with **NAME** and **FORM**: e.g Joe Bloggs 7TC. Good luck!



Year 9 Sculpture Workshop

Year 9 students had a fantastic day of wire sculpting with the London based artist, Darcy Turner. We have worked with Darcy on several occasions. His sessions are always practical and fun. Darcy enjoys sharing his latest creative inventions with students, (sticky hoovers are a genius idea!) and talking to them about his work as an artist. The sculpture workshop was an opportunity for students to have the time and space to think creatively whilst creating a sustained piece of sculpture work. The highlight of the day, for the art teachers, was seeing the students collaborate and having the time to play with new tools, techniques and materials. In a world where everything seems to be condensed into rigid time frames, giving young people the freedom to create is an aspect of learning that we must value more. Thank you Year 9 for participating with such enthusiasm and to parents for supporting the day. The students' individual pieces will join together to make a display based on insects and the environment in the art corridor next half-term.

Miss Challis, Head of Creative Arts



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