

BARTON MANOR SCHOOL – ART DEPARTMENT

Facilities

The Department of Art comprises of 3 teaching rooms for ART, which includes a large photography specialist studio space. Each classroom has a large walk-in storage cupboard and an Interactive Whiteboard.

All teaching areas are equipped with computers, and every teacher is provided with a laptop. The department also includes facilities for screen printing, a printing press, and a dedicated photography studio. Technical support is provided by one full-time and one part-time technician, shared across DT and Food.

Key Stage 3

KS3 (Y7 – 8) ART is delivered through two 60-minute lessons per fortnight, and homework is set in 1 of those lessons. We follow the ART national curriculum. The learning is supported by a wide range of practical activities designed to suit every type of learner. The units of work are topic based and focus on practical skills, with a strong emphasis on the formal elements and supported by theoretical concepts.

Key Stage 4

At Key Stage 4, Art is offered as an optional subject, with a time allocation of five 60-minute lessons per fortnight.

Currently, Key Stage 4 provision began in September 2025, with both Year 9 and Year 10 commencing their GCSE studies simultaneously. We offer AQA Fine Art and Photography, and students at Barton Manor School have the opportunity to study both if they wish.

As part of a trust with two additional schools, there are valuable opportunities for staff to collaborate, share expertise, and engage in cross-school networking.

Key Stage 5

It is planned to have a joint Sixth Form with Barton Court Grammar School. We expect Art to feature within both school's curriculum.
