

A Level Design & Technology summer holiday work 2020

PRODUCT DESIGN & GRAPHICS

Why should you be spending time preparing for your D&T A Level?

Having hopefully recovered from the stresses and anxieties of this year's disrupted GCSEs, it's more important than ever to be well-prepared for your A Levels. I am sure that you realise, year 12 is a very exciting and important year for you. This year it will be even more important to be 'match fit' for the next stage in your education. You must be spending time working independently this summer, not just on these **set tasks** but also on the **D&T enrichment tasks** that are listed on the school web site and VLE. This way you can all be confident that you will have made up, as far as possible, the curriculum time that was lost in the final weeks of Year 11; and that you will be hitting the ground running in September!

D&T work completed during the holidays will contribute directly to Unit 2 of your A Level. (Any questions: nhull@gch.org.uk)

Your two set design tasks

Task one

Research into **three** different products that are targeted at distinctly different users. Create a single A3 mood board and describe the specific materials and construction methods of each product shown. Describe and justify how you believe the products have been designed for the specific target market that you have identified.

Task two

Up to two A3 landscape pages of sketch ideas including detailed written design rationale. Produce one new design idea for each of the products already identified in your mood board. Your **three** sketch ideas may be evolutionary or radically different from the original but they must offer some specific improvement; this could be economic, environmental, functional or a different target market. You must say which.

Ideas must be viable, drawn in pencil, and show potential construction techniques.

