

Design & Visual COMMUNICATION

Summary: The NCEA programme for DVC (Level 1) comprises the following: The design process, graphical communication and design, aspects of technological, media and environmental/architectural design. The design brief approach is used so as to allow students to develop a solution based on their own individual skills, interests, and knowledge. Students will gain knowledge of the principles and elements of design and apply a design process to solve product, system, and environmental design problems. Through this work students will learn about other designers, consider society's needs and environmental concerns, and become more aware of aesthetics and values.

Over the course of the year students will be involved in:

- Examining the requirements of a design brief.
- Researching and selecting information from a variety of sources.
- Developing concepts and ideas through sketching and rendering.
- Building models.
- Testing and evaluating finished work.
- Producing detailed pictorial and scale working drawings
- Clearly presenting the necessary information for a design

Pathways:

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| - Sign Maker | - Architect |
| - Clothing Designer | - Landscape Architect |
| - Animator | - Architect Technician |
| - Cartoonist | - Map maker |
| | - Illustrator |