**Courses in the Art Department:**

**Year 9**  
All Year 9 students have one term (3 lessons per week) of Visual Arts. Over the course students have the opportunity to work with drawing and painting learning a range of techniques, mark making and colour theory. All projects use Artist models for inspiration. All this gives students a taster for the subject as well as a good foundation for those wishing to maintain Art as one of their future options.  
**Year 10**  
In Year 10, Visual Art is an option that students take for two terms (3 lessons per week). Over the course students extend on their knowledge from Year 9 in Drawing and Painting. They also learn new techniques in Printmaking and Sculpture and participate in a yearly project to make an Art work for within the school.  
**Year 11**  
Students complete a full Visual Art program gaining credits towards NCEA Level1. The course is made up of Research, Drawing and Printmaking Internal Assessments and a Externally Assessed Folio. The theme that students follow is ‘Early Life & The Local Environment’.  
  
**Senior Visual Art Year 12 (Level 2) and Year 13 (Level 3)**  
In Senior Visual Art students may specialize further by selecting from Painting, Design, and Photography to complete a full course that includes both Internally Assessed projects and an Externally Assessed Folio.  
Students have a wide range of possible themes to base their artwork on and they are guided through this selection process.