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Dear Parents/Guardians

I am writing to inform you of changes to the Art department in 2019/20. I will be leaving BWS at the end of this academic year and the new Head of Art will be Mrs Lawrence. Mrs Lawrence brings a wealth of experience and high expectations and her specialism is Art and Design Graphics. This will change the direction of the Art and Design Pathway which has traditionally been Fine Art. Next year's Artists will be taught as follows:

- Year 13: A-Level Art, Craft and Design (AQA)
- Year 12: A-Level Art, Craft and Design (AQA)
- Year 11: GCSE Art, Craft and Design (AQA)
- Year 10: GCSE Art, Craft and Design / Graphic Design (AQA)

The Art, Craft and Design pathway is described by AQA: 'This title promotes learning across a variety of experiences and through various processes, tools, techniques, materials and resources to generate different kinds of evidence of working and outcomes. Emphasis is on an increased breadth of approach commensurate in demand with the other titles.' This pathway will allow the students to explore a wide range of media and graphics appropriate to their investigations. Students will be taught digital manipulation and advanced Photoshop skills to realise intentions. More details can be found on the AQA website.

This is an exciting change for Art at BWS and Mrs Lawrence will inspire and teach our young artists to fulfil their creative potential. I will be sad not to see the students flourish and will miss them all dearly. I appreciate all the hard work they have given over the years and wish them all the very best.

Yours sincerely

David Podger Head of Art