Sixth Form Summer Home Learning for Textiles A Level

Create two Pinterest boards on your devices-

- 1 must be for the theme Botanical, so this could be botanical paintings, mixed media, Textiles samples and fashion design pieces that you like, save them all to a Pinterest board named Botanical.
- The second board should contain any other fashion/ textiles images you come across that
 you like. This could range from different designers, different Textiles samples (any kind of
 Textiles sample) that you like, A Level Textiles sketchbook examples, any ideas or images of
 work that look interesting and you could potentially explore in September.

In preparation for our first project of the theme Botanical, we would also like you to start collecting images of your own on your phones or any other devices, taking your own photos of flowers or anything Botanical related. We would like you to take as many as possible but aim for between 20 and 30 images.

Once you have taken those photos, we would also like you to print 20 of those photos minimum (you can print off more if you are able) onto good quality photo paper, this can be on glossy or matt paper. You can print your images off extremely cheaply using sites such as Photobox, Freesnaps or Snapfish. All of these sites offer deals and very cheap printing. The reason we ask for high quality is so that they are easier to work from when creating drawing or sample responses and you are able to work into the physical photo through stitch and other processes.

Once you have printed your photos, we would also like you to create a selection of different drawing responses from three of your best photos- A4 or A5 in size using the following mediums-

- One Tonal drawing response
- One colour pencil response
- One piece using a media of your choice

Finally, in preparation for display and mounting your work as we go through the project, we would like you to purchase two A1 cream or white Mountboards. You may have worked in sketchbooks if you did Art or Textiles at GCSE but we would also like to show the possibilities of mounting onto other materials and boards are a great way of presenting work and getting ready for creating portfolios for university courses after A Levels.

On behalf of the Textiles team, we are excited to see what A Level brings us next academic year and look forwards to starting the course with you in September. If you have any questions or issues with the summer home learning, please email either Miss Cutler or Miss Littlewood before the holidays and they will be happy to help!

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