

Subject: Media Studies

		Hours taught per fortnight	Topics Covered:		
			Term 1:	Term 2:	Term 3:
Key Stage 4	GCSE Exam Board / Specification (link):		AQA http://www.aqa.org.uk/subjects/media-studies Text Book: AQA Media Studies GCSE ISBN 978 1 4085 0411 6		
	Year 10	5	Key Concepts: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Media Language • Audience • Representation • Institutions 	Unit 2: Understanding the Media (Controlled Assessment) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Assignment 1: Introduction to the media • Assignment 2: Cross-media Study 	Unit 2: Understanding the Media (Controlled Assessment) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Assignment 3: Practical Production
	Year 11	5	Unit 1: Investigating Media Preparation for the written paper <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Developing media skills (General) 	Unit 1: Investigating Media Preparation for the written paper <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Research pre-release topic 	Unit 1: Investigating Media Preparation for the written paper <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Preparation of response to pre-release material
Key Stage 5	A-Level Exam Board / Specification (link):		AQA http://www.aqa.org.uk/subjects/media-studies Text Book AS: AQA AS Media Studies ISBN 978 0 7487 9814 8 Text Book A2: AQA A2 Media Studies ISBN 978 0 7487 98162		
	Year 12	9	Investigating Media Core Concepts: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Media forms • Concepts & ideology Unit 2: Creating Media <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Research & planning • Using technologies • Creating products 	Completion of Unit 2 Course Work (Feb half term deadline) Unit 1: Investigating Media (Preparation for written exam) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Media platforms • Media forms • Concepts & ideology 	Unit 1: Investigating Media (Preparation for written exam) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Section A: responding to the unseen text • Section B: preparing and presenting your case study
	Year 13	9	Unit 4: Research and Production <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Independent research course work project • Independent practical production course work project 	Completion of Unit 4 Course Work (Feb half term deadline) Unit 3: Critical Perspectives (Preparation for written exam) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Media issues and debates • Media theories • Approaching texts critically 	Unit 3: Critical Perspectives (Preparation for written exam) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Section A: responding to the unseen text • Section B: preparing and presenting your case study