St Ivo school Art Department

Knowledge Organiser - Art Year 9 realistic portraits

Key words:

Accuracy: The image in an exact likeness of the person.

Facial Features: Facial Features are a person's eyes, nose, mouth and ears.

Proportion: The size of each part in relation to each

other.

Shading: Shading is used in drawing to show different

levels of light and dark.

Shape: The outline of the face

Tone: This refers to the different values of light and dark and makes a portrait look three dimensional.



Artists and contextual links:

You could use the following artists and contextual links to inspire your work.

Facial proportions YouTube link

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=cdSzAOgSuew

Leonardo da Vinci Michelangelo Albrecht Durer Peter Rubens Rembrandt Edgar Degas Kathe Kollwitz Cath Riley

Paul Cadden Hector Gonzales

What will you learn:

What are portraits?

A portrait is a study (drawing, painting, sculpture or photograph) of a person or group of peoples faces head and shoulders.

Portraits are created to capture the likeness within a person's physical appearance. They can also depict a person's feelings, social standing and thoughts.

How to draw a portrait:

You will draw a portrait using a methodology and guidelines to help you achieve accuracy and use light and dark tones to make your portrait look three dimensional.

You will be set a drawing test as part of this project to emphasise the importance of drawing within an Art and Design curriculum

Creative possibilities: You

could use a wide range of techniques including pencil, charcoal and/or paint. A wide range of pencil shading techniques could be used.

At home you could produce a pencil drawing of someone you know.

You will practice drawing facial features using line and tone.

