

September 2023

**Re: NCFE Art Contribution, Year 8 and 9**

Dear Parent/Carer

The Art Department would like to request that you aid your child's learning across year 8 and 9 in the NCFE Art course by making a voluntary contribution towards the cost of good quality materials and equipment. This is needed to create quality work which will inspire and engage our students on a daily basis.

Where possible the Art department purchases materials in bulk to reduce costs. This allows us to create high quality projects for our students with as little cost as possible. The estimated approximate cost for materials per student for NCFE across the two-year course is **£10**, which covers the purchase of sketchbook and a range of none reusable and specialist materials including paint, printing inks, clay, shading pencils, paper and card, oil pastels, collage materials, drawing inks and good quality pencil crayons.

Under the terms of the 1988 Education Act, the **£10** fee is a voluntary contribution. There is no legal obligation to pay this contribution, but we must make it clear that without your donations the limit for which we can afford to pay for materials is greatly reduced, having impact on the readily available materials we use throughout the NCFE Art course for Art and Design.

If you wish to help by making the contribution for your child, please complete the payment of **£10** via Gateway using the School Gateway app or alternatively follow the link directly from the school website at <http://www.marplehall.stockport.sch.uk>

If you require support with Gateway please contact the school Finance Office on [accounts@marplehall.stockport.sch.uk](mailto:accounts@marplehall.stockport.sch.uk).

Thank you for your time and continued support.

Yours faithfully  
Miss H. Aspinall

Director of Teaching & Learning: Creative Arts

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