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Re: Visiting artist Ian Murphy workshop on Thursday 16th June 2022

Dear Parent/Carer

Your son/daughter has been invited to participate in a practical workshop with visiting artist Ian Murphy. This is an excellent opportunity for the students to learn from a practicing artist. Not only will Ian be talking about his work, practice, and career but pupils will have a practical workshop delivered to them where they will have an opportunity to learn new processes and techniques and create a final outcome.

Ian Murphy is a contemporary British Fine Artist who gained initial success with selection to the British Young Contemporary Artists in 1985, after this he secured his first role as a resident Artist in the Turnpike Gallery, and this was an important steppingstone, not only into his role as a communicator but also to the reality of producing artwork, exhibiting, and selling out of the educational arena. He quickly gained notoriety for his ability to introduce his working practices to a wider audience. He is best known for his powerful, tonal drawings and atmospheric, mixed media oil paintings of architectural places. Ian Murphy seeks out the places that exude the qualities of neglect and abandonment – the intrinsic details of erosion, decay and antiquity are the very components that form the visual aesthetic that makes his work so compelling.

Pupils will be off timetable all day in A1 and A2 where the workshop will run. Break times and lunchtimes will be as normal. Students can wear their own clothes for the day, but they need to wear something that is appropriate for a full day painting and using wet materials. Students will be encouraged to research the artist before he arrives to ensure they are familiar with himself and his work. He has a fantastic website https://www.ianmurphyartist.com/about/

A total cost of £18.00 will cover the price of the workshop and the materials used for the day.

Please complete the return slip attached to this letter as soon as possible as places will be allocated on a first-come, first-serve basis. We are very excited to be able to provide this opportunity to our most exceptionally able students.

Yours faithfully,

Míss A Bamford

Teacher of Art

Please tick as appropriate:

- I agree to my child taking part in the Ian Murphy visiting artist practical workshop on Thursday 16th June 2022
- \odot Payment has been made via parent pay for the sum of £18.00

Name:....

Form:.....

Signed.....Parent/Carer



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