Please note that both the GCSE and A level Media Studies and the A Level Film Studies courses will be changing dramatically from September 2017 and the homework outlined below will only apply to the current KS4 and KS5 students where much of the work is controlled assessment having to be completed in school.

Yr10 GCSE Media Studies Autumn Term

**Topic:** Introduction to GCSE Media Studies

**Core homework tasks:**  1.Write a review of a film of your choice. 2. Write an analysis of a film clip viewed in class

**Optional/extension homework tasks:** Research key media terms such as ‘mise-en-scene’; find different examples of a range of camera angles and editing techniques.

**Topic:** Introduction to advertising coursework

**Core homework tasks:**  1. Annotate a print advert of your choice.

**Optional/extension homework tasks:** Research the advertising companies related to the coursework essay title.

**Topic:** Coursework essay writing

**Core homework tasks:**  1. Re-draft coursework essays based on feedback

Yr11 GCSE Media Studies Autumn Term

**Topic:** Planning video coursework production

**Core homework tasks:**  1.Write an analysis of 4 music videos of your choice making sure at least 2 are from different genres.

**Topic:** Filming and editing of video coursework

**Core homework tasks:**  1. Groups must meet up outside of school hours to film footage for their video unless all filming takes place in school.

Yr12 AS Media Studies Autumn Term

**Topic:** Introduction to key concepts – audiences and institutions

**Core homework tasks:**  1. Group narrative presentation 2. Poster creation, analysis andevaluation

**Optional/extension homework tasks:** Individual research into a variety of TV drama genres; continued familiarisation with new terminology.

**Topic:** TV Drama Exam question/Film genre and audience coursework

**Core homework tasks:**  1.Mini essays covering a variety of representations. 2. Presentations and essays on real media output (e.g. specific films). 3. Create blogs and practise uploading information, research and planning.

**Optional/extension homework tasks:** Research a character in a TV drama that links to a specific area of representation e.g. disability; age etc.

Yr13 A2 Media Studies Autumn Term

**Topic:** Continued introductory work for the exam/ Coursework introduction – brief and outline and mark schemes.

**Core homework tasks:**  1. Research an ethnic character of choice in a TV drama or film (Power Point presentation to class) 2. Essays and notes on media specific theories

**Optional/extension homework tasks:**

**Topic:** Representation in Film/ Coursework Prep

**Core homework tasks:**  1. Essays on selected films and TV programmes viewed in class. 2. Regular posts and updates to blogs with research, planning etc.

**Optional/extension homework tasks:** Research and read articles around the idea of collective identity and representations of ethnic groups in the media.

Yr12 AS Film Studies Autumn Term

**Topic:** Introduction to Film/Cinema History, Audiences and Genres.

**Core homework tasks:**  1. Write a 200 word film review 2. Bring in a review of a film currently in the cinema. 3. Research film studios. 4. Find information on the BBFC and film theory. 5. Research your favourite film genre.

**Optional/extension homework tasks:** Read and research a film review of your choice; Use emailed links to inform wider reading.

**Topic:** Micro factors of Film

**Core homework tasks:**  1.400 word analysis of the effectiveness of mise-en-scene in an extract from a film 2. Essays on other micro elements displayed in film productions

Yr13 A2 Film Studies Autumn Term

**Topic:** Coursework

**Core homework tasks:**  1. Prep and present ideas on potential creative coursework units/scripts/short film. 2. Read the section about The Small Scale Research Project in the A2 text book provided.

**Optional/extension homework tasks:**

**Topic:** Coursework/Unit 1 – World cinema

**Core homework tasks:**  1. Select 3 films and write up catalogue entries for them. 2. Power Point research notes on 4 texts studied

**Optional/extension homework tasks:** Look at other films by the same director you are studying or from different countries based around a theme.