

13th June 2024

Dear Parent/Carer,

Re: GCSE Media Studies (NEA)

This term, students have begun producing their coursework for their GCSE in Media Studies.

Their non-exam assessment requires them to produce the Front Cover and Double Page Spread for a music magazine targeting a socially conscious audience. This is the brief set by the exam board (OCR).

A compulsory aspect of this coursework is that students need to have taken and used their own original photos in the production of the NEA. Students need at least **four** original images. These photos do not need to feature the students themselves, and instead can include any person willing to be part of their coursework unit.

While the exam board ask students to use a minimum of four images, it is advisable that students take have a minimum of **ten** usable photos, to allow them to choose which works best with the designs the house style that they create.

Please can I ask for your support in reminding and encouraging students to take their original images for their coursework. Unfortunately, students who do not use photos taken themselves are limited to band 2 (out of 5) of the mark scheme.

Once the photos have been taken, students should email these to themselves (using their school account) to ensure they can access them during lesson time.

If you have any further questions, please do not hesitate to contact me via studentsupport@corbytechnicalschool.org.

Yours sincerely,



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Head of English