

# NPG trip

In January Mr Grdd and Hsf Lhdgsi (printmaking and photography tutor) took all of our Year 10 students to the National Portrait Gallery in London. Equipped with pencils and sketchbooks, the students spent part of the day looking at, and drawing, paintings in the NPG's permanent collection, and part of the day looking and drawing in a special exhibition of Pablo Picasso's portraits.

Many art historians would argue that Picasso (1881-1973) is easily the most influential European artist of the 20th century. This show at the NPG was interesting because it focussed on an aspect of his work - portraiture - that has often been overlooked. It was, therefore, a rare opportunity to see a fascinating mix of Picasso's portraits brought together, for the first time, from different collections around the world.

