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Creative Boom for Nailsea Sixth Form

Nailsea School and boomsatsuma are delighted to announce a new and exciting partnership for 2019, the **North Somerset Creative Campus** at Nailsea Sixth Form. The first of its kind in the area, the new partnership will deliver an exciting array of applied creative courses with incredible links to the Creative Industries.

Three primary courses include Creative Media Production, Professional Acting and Games Virtual Reality (VR) and Visual Effects (VFX). All launched for the 2019 Sixth Form offer at Nailsea School. The Diplomas can be taken alongside other courses, such as A levels and are the equivalent to 1.5 A levels. An extended diploma in Creative Media Production course based part time at the Curzon cinema studio is also on offer for those students who would like a full time course equivalent to three A Levels.

According to the West of England local enterprise partnership, Creative Industries account for more than 15,900 jobs in the region and have seen 106% growth since 1999, providing opportunities in performance, Creative media, film, and Gaming, VR and VFX. The courses will be primarily based at Nailsea School Sixth Form, and students will be working with access to organisations across the region. Boomsatsuma have already established facilities and relationships with leading applied creative centres including the Bottle Yard TV and Film Studios, The Bristol Old Vic Theatre School, Ashton Gate Media Centre and Bristol's High tech, Creative and Digital Hub at the Engine shed.

Directors Mark Curtis and Stuart Wood from boomsatsuma said *"Our courses are designed to prepare students for the working world, the creative industries are a prime export for Bristol, which secured UNESCO city of film in 2017. Our courses directly feed into the Creative Industries, which includes the exciting addition of gaming VR and VFX. We look forward to working alongside Nailsea Sixth Form in helping students realise their potential and their aspirations."*

Dee Elliott Headteacher at Nailsea School said *"By creating the North Somerset Creative Campus together with boomsatsuma we are giving Post 16 students an effective way to enter a dynamic and interesting industry, an industry that Bristol is renowned for internationally. Our students will be able to use these courses to gain vital experience, build relationships and network with these unique business partnerships, making our students some of the most employable in the area"*

To find out more about the North Somerset Creative Campus, which is open to students across the region boomsatsuma will be attending Nailsea School Sixth Form Open Evening on 22nd November 2018. This will be a showcase event with an introduction to all of the courses on offer at Nailsea School.

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