

## Art Trip – Hepworth Wakefield

After a very successful trip last December the Art department made a return trip to the Hepworth Gallery, Wakefield on December 7<sup>th</sup>. This year we took a mixed group of Year 11, 10 and 9 students to take part in a workshop with a practising artist and experience art work in a gallery setting. The Hepworth, which opened in 2011, is the largest purpose-built exhibition space outside London; the buildings themselves were designed by the architect David Chipperfield. The gallery brings together work from Wakefield's art collection, exhibitions by contemporary artists and rarely seen works by Barbara Hepworth. Our visit started with the workshop led by the artist Helen Peyton, she directed the students



to explore a range of drawing exercises in the galleries in response to Barbara Hepworth's sculptures to make them think differently about how they draw and what they see. With a selection of drawings in place we returned to the studio to create collagraph prints which had an interesting textural abstract quality. After lunch students had time in the galleries to sketch and photograph artworks which interested them, it was a very successful day.



