

# GETTING AHEAD



Start to develop skills that are relevant to your course before you join HSDC this September!

## 3D Design – A Level

This work will help you get to grips with the software used on this course. In completing this task you'll find you're one step ahead when it comes to starting your coursework in September.

### Activity

- If you haven't already, download Google SketchupMake, a free piece of software which will enable you to model and develop your design ideas.
- Choose a household item and then, using Google SketchupMake, draw it in full size in millimetres.

Some tips to help you get started:

- To create accurate lines and shapes, you need to click, drag and enter measurements in the bottom right-hand corner before pressing **Enter**.
- Draw each part of the object separately and then group the lines (select lines and then right click **Make Group**). This will enable you to edit parts at a later date.
- Finish the exercise by applying colours (**Paint Bucket**) and shadows (**View Shadows**).

**We look forward to seeing you in September!**

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