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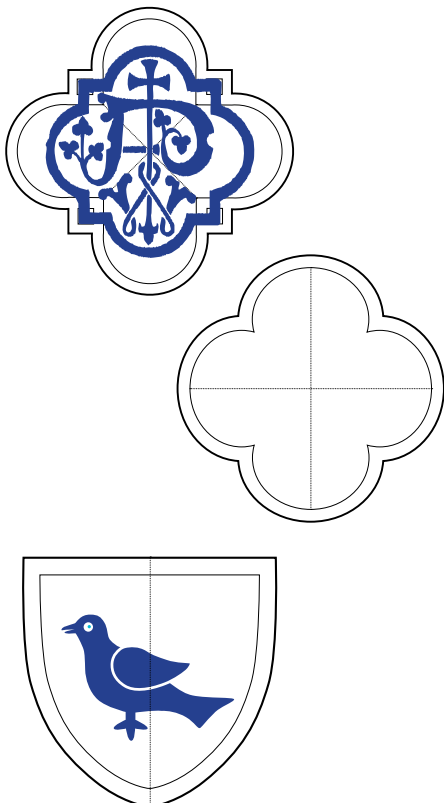# Design a Monogram

ACTIVITY 01   **KS2 / KS3**   **50 minutes**

What you will need:

- Pencils, pens, markers
- Digital projector or printouts
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- A4 monogram templates
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Taking Pugin's style and his love of monograms and heraldry as the basis for their designs, pupils will develop their own personal monogram or coat of arms.

A monogram is a motif made by overlapping or combining two or more letters to form a symbol. Monograms are often made by combining the initials of an individual or a company and are used as their recognizable symbols or logos.

Augustus Welby Northmore Pugin created his own alphabet styles which he used in his monogram designs.

Pupils may choose from templates provided, using these to either draw on directly or to trace from whilst creating a personal monogram *or* family coat of arms.

Pupils will be asked to think about the traditional use of monograms / coats of arms and what their equivalents might be today (*logos, branding, graffiti tags, etc*).

Questions for the pupils as they start on their designs:
- What overall shape will your monogram be?
- Will you include shapes as well as letters? (*flourishes / symbols / etc*)
- What might be linked to your family name that could be included in your design? (*meaning of surname / pets / something local to you / etc*)
- How will you want to use your new monogram? (*large / small / digital / repeated / etc*)

Extended project:

Following this activity, pupils may be encouraged to take their designs further by creating digital versions and using them in different ways.
See Activities 03 & 05 included in this pack

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