

# Creative Digital Media Production BTEC

## Summer Viewing/Reading List

Please feel free to email [paul.young@paddington-academy.org](mailto:paul.young@paddington-academy.org) with any questions!

### To watch:

Broadening your viewing is the most important thing. BBC iPlayer and All4 are both free, use them to watch the kind of programmes you would normally avoid!

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/iplayer>

<https://www.channel4.com/>

One programme that talks specifically about media can be found here:

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/iplayer/episode/m000kbp6/kermode-and-mayos-home-entertainment-service-series-1-episode-6>

The IMDb top 250 list is a really good place to start finding films that you may not have seen and are regarded as widely enjoyed/celebrated. The list is here:

[https://www.imdb.com/search/title/?groups=top\\_250&sort=user\\_rating](https://www.imdb.com/search/title/?groups=top_250&sort=user_rating)

Lots and lots of these films are available on Netflix/Amazon Prime/Now TV/BBC Iplayer, but if there is one you really want to watch and are struggling to find email Mr Young!

Try to watch at least 3 or 4 of these films (ones you haven't seen before!) before September.

Video essays are a great place to start listening to people using film language and thinking about moving image, which is a big part of the media course. A good channel to start is:

**The Nerdwriter:** Breakdown and analysis of films, film makers and actors. (not all their videos are about films, so pick carefully).

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCJkMIOu7faDgqh4PfbzbpLdg>

***Try to find video essays on the films you watch!***

### To read:

The best thing to be reading, is trusted voices discussing media . Here are two starting points, but don't be afraid to branch out:

<https://www.theguardian.com/uk/media>

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/news/topics/c207p54mlzpt/media>