

Our Golden Threads: vocabulary, knowledge of the world and promoting diversity

Our curriculum is knowledge based and designed to have an impact on long term memory. See long, medium, short term plans and knowledge mats regarding curriculum content and coverage. The following outlines the progress expected within the subject and helps to provide progression throughout the school in our mixed age classes.

Due to the impact of Covid, teachers assess children at the beginning of units of work and track back through the colours when necessary, to fill gaps and ensure sound understanding before moving on.

Curriculum Progression in Art

	Rainbow	EXPLORING AND DEVELOPING	USING MATERIALS	EVALUATING	CONTROL AND EXPERTISE
	reference	Children can:	Children can:	Children can:	Children can:
Pre- school	White	Enjoy exploring a range of media	Use stage and age-appropriate materials and tools to create	Talk about what they have done	Mark make and apply colour
Reception	Red	Enjoy exploring in paint area Use construction kits and materials	Mix paint and materials	Talk about what they have done and what they would do next	Show more control or refinement
Year One	Orange	Respond to ideas Explore different drawing and painting tools Explore simple pattern Design and make images / artefacts	Use primary and secondary colours Use and investigate a variety of visual and tactile materials	Talk about drawings and paintings and say what they feel	Mix colours randomly Use some control when drawing and painting
Year Two	Yellow	Communicate ideas and meanings very simply Investigate pattern and shape in the environment Explore ideas and collect information in a sketch book Reproduce from memory, observation or imagination Identify different ways to express ideas	Use a range of materials / processes to show ideas / meanings Select the best materials for the job Create collage with range of materials and textures	Talk about their work and explain it Describe what they think or feel about their own and others' work Think of ways to adapt and improve own work Begin to use ways to improve work Explore ideas and change what they have done to give a better result	Use a range of pens, pencils, pastels and charcoal Make a variety of lines, using different sizes and thicknesses Mix secondary colours to make a wide range of new colours Use shading to create different effects

Year	Green	Make their own choices	Mix and use tertiary colours	Make comments on the work of	Use art to illustrate in other
Three		Begin to work more abstractly	Design, draw, paint or make	others, including both ideas and	subjects
		Collect visual and other	images for different purposes	techniques	Practise to improve skills
		information	using knowledge and	Apply previous knowledge to	Create texture by adding dots and
		Use a digital camera to collect	understanding	improve work	lines
		ideas	Use watercolour to produce a	Adapt and refine work to reflect	Make different tones of colour
		Experiment in many different	wash	purpose	using black and white
		ways	Use an ICT paint program with		Use pencils of different grades
		Use a sketchbook to make notes	edit		and at different angles to create
		about artists, skills and	Use a digital camera to produce		different effects
		techniques	art work		Use brushes in different ways
		Annotate a sketch book	Use mosaic, montage and other		Use repeat pattern in design
		Experiment with mood using	effects		Indicate movement using lines
		colour	Use a range of materials and		
		Create artwork following an idea	techniques in 3D work		
		or towards a specific purpose			
Year Four	Blue	Plan work carefully before	Use a combination of visual and	Compare others' work with their	Show tone and texture using
		beginning	tactile ideas	own	hatching and cross hatching
		Use other cultures and times as	Combine different materials in	Appraise the ideas, methods and	Use a program to create mood
		a stimulus	different ways	approaches used in others' work,	within digital photography
		Experiment with the styles of	Make specific choices between	using a critical approach	Show shadow or reflection by
		different artists	different processes and	Use the appraisal of others for	shading
			materials	improvement	Select appropriate drawing
					materials
Year Five	Indigo	Make and support their own	Understand the importance of	Evaluate own and others' work,	Develop and improve their own
		decisions and choices	preparing materials before	explaining and justifying their	style
		Use inspiration from other	working	reasons	Use drawings to show movement
		cultures	Produce work that sometimes	Use analysis when commenting	Combine a range of colours, tints,
		Experiment with combinations	can be both visual and tactile	on ideas	tones and shades
		of materials and techniques		Consider the end point when	Get across feeling and emotion
		Keep and use detailed notes in		adapting and improving their	through their work
		sketch book		work	
Year Six	Violet	Use a full range of design,	Make specific decisions about	Analyse and comment on their	Choose to use a limited range of
		experimentation, exploration	using different visual and tactile	own and others' ideas, methods	colour to produce a chosen effect
		alongside the work of others to	effects towards an end point	and approaches	Begin to use perspective in both
		develop their own work		Make on-going revisions Refine	abstract and real life art
				their work, often with several	Work with care and precision
					towards an end point, but make

		adaptations, to move towards an	adaptations following their own
		end point	reflections and the comments of
			others