

Wicklewood Primary School and Nursery

Art and Design Policy

Rationale

The purpose of Art and Design education is to give pupils the skills, concepts and knowledge necessary for them to express their responses to ideas and experiences in a visual or tactile form. It fires their imagination and is a fundamental means of personal expression.

While it is essentially a practical subject, Art should provide opportunities for reflection and with increasing sensitivity pupils should acquire the ability to make informed, critical responses to their own work and that of others.

There is great pleasure to be derived from Art and Design and through deeper understanding; pupils can gain access to cultural richness and diversity.

Purpose

Art and Design aims to:

- ◆ Stimulate children's creativity and imagination by providing visual, tactile and sensory experiences
- ◆ Ensure children develop skills in drawing, painting, sculpture and other art, craft and design techniques
- ◆ Produce creative work, exploring their ideas and recording their experiences
- ◆ Inspire confidence, value and pleasure in Art
- ◆ Evaluate and analyse creative works using the language of art, craft and design
- ◆ Enhance children's ability to value the contribution made by artists, craft workers and designers and respond critically and imaginatively to ideas, images and objects

Broad Guidelines

1. Teachers will follow the school's 'progression in art and design' document, to ensure that relevant artistic skills are being taught throughout the school.
2. Children must explore a range of starting points for practical work.
3. All pupils will have the opportunity to work on their own and to collaborate with others to create projects in two and three dimensions.
4. Children will experience a wide range of art, craft and design activities, using a range of materials and processes.
5. Sketchbooks will be used to develop and record children's ideas in key stage 2 and can be used in key stage 1 if desired.
6. Teachers are responsible for the planning, delivery and the required assessment of the Art Curriculum, in accordance with the Art and Design curriculum map
7. The subject leader will encourage and support teachers in planning projects that will create cross-curricular links. Occasionally, the subject leader may plan whole school art projects, which will include cross curricular links and mixed age teaching.

Conclusion

Art and Design form an integral part of the school's Curriculum. At Wicklewood Primary School and Nursery effective teaching of Art and Design enriches our children's perception of the world around them.

This policy directly links/relates to the Teaching and Learning Policy, SEN Information Report and English Policy.