## EYFS, KS1 & KS2 Art & Design Sketchbook Staff CPD

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# Quick Glance.... What does the Art and Design National Curriculum say about sketchbooks?



#### National Curriculum

In the National Curriculum (England), sketchbooks are only mentioned in Key Stage 2. The guidance states that children should **'create sketchbooks to record their observations and use them to review and revisit ideas.'** This doesn't mean they are exclusive to Key Stage 2 and many schools use them in all key stages.

#### At Arnside National C of E Primary School our aim is...

For, EYFS, KS1 through to the end of KS2 all to have sketchbooks which will be called 'My Art Journal'. These journals will move up through school with the children. They are a great opportunity to show progression and the journey of art skills, in all forms, for each individual child.

#### Why use sketchbooks?

Sketchbooks are a great way to tell the story of the artistic journey the children have taken throughout their project/projects.

Sketchbooks are a place for children to **take in ideas** (magpie), **test out,** and **reflect**.

In the same way, sketchbooks can be used at many different points of the day, not just in Art. Each time of the day offers an opportunity to develop different skills: **Using sketchbooks at the start of the day** can help children transition, and provide an opportunity to focus and open their mind to think creatively.

**Using sketchbooks at the end of the day** can help provide an opportunity for reflection and absorption of ideas.

Giving learners access to sketchbooks in their free time (lunchtime, at home) can help build a sense of ownership of their own learning.









#### Where to start with planning an Art Unit?

- Look at the Art topic for the term does it fit into your /Science/English Unit for that Half Term – can it be linked to the **Art project** or will it be a stand alone topic?
- 2) Look at the skills covered within the Art Unit Use Art Skills Document to help. Follow the pathway link on the medium term plan to gain further detail, ideas and information
- Research further the famous Artist/s or decide which one to focus on within the unit. Add in more specific detail to the Cultural Capital section dependent on time restraints at the time.



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#### Stages 1-6 – Example summary / approach

to map out planning an Art Pathway

Stage	How many lessons?	What will the lesson consist of
1	1 or 2 depending on year group	<b>Drawing</b> Children draw either from life (objects) or from photos using different drawing mediums (pencil, felt pen, pencil crayon, oil pastel, charcoal, soft pastel)
2	2-4 depending on year group and skills planned to develop	<b>Experimenting</b> In this stage the children will have the opportunity to explore different mediums in more depth such as; collage, water- colour, textured paint or surfaces, or combining mediums perhaps example biro and watercolour, watercolur and oil pastel
3	1-3 lessons	Artist Lesson 1 – look at life and work of artist, children could research life and work of artist and make notes Lesson 2 – Look at and discuss artist pieces of work in more depth focusing on use of colour, method, medium etc
4	1-2 lessons	<b>Using Artists style</b> Lesson 3 – Children re-create a part of or a replica of famous artists piece either using the medium the artist has or a different medium but create the same thing for example famous artist may have used watercolour to generate their piece – child uses collage or oil pastel.
5	1 lesson	<b>Compose</b> This is where the children will create their own unique piece that incorporates the elements, they have looked at so far – drawing, colour, artist, compose
6	1 lesson	<b>Evaluate</b> The children will reflect (using post-its) on their own compositions and use the vocabulary from their sketchbooks to help them.

### Where to start / resources?

Now that you've looked into the detailed pathway and cross referenced it with the medium term plan look at what resources should I use to get the children started?

Collect photos or collect items related to the subject/topic / Art Unit

#### Example, Year 1 – Animals / Animal Pattern / The Tiger that came to Tea

1) Collect/ Use photographs as a prompt for the children to use to get started

## **Stage 1 - Drawing**

Let the children use the photos of animals to initially draw the animals.

The drawing process doesn't have to just involve a pencil, this could also involve using:

- Soft pastel
- Oil pastel
- Coloured pencils
- Felt pens
- Biro
- Charcoal

It could also include the children drawing on different surfaces such as different colour paper, tissue paper etc. Stick these in their Art Journal.







#### Stage 2 – Explore and Experiment



Using photos provides the opportunity for the children to experiment using a focused prompt with a range of materials. You may wish to do stage 2 over a period of several lessons for example; Stage 2 Lesson 1 – watercolour, Stage 2 Lesson 2 – Oil Pastel, Stage 2 Lesson 3 – soft pastel Stage 2 Lesson 4 – Collage

## Stage 3 – Looking at an Artist



#### Henri Rousseau

#### About

Henri Julien Félix Rousseau was a French postimpressionist painter in the Naïve or Primitive manner. He was also known as Le Douanier, a humorous description of his occupation as a toll and tax collector.

#### Stage 3

Start by making the children familiar with the life and work of the artist you're focusing on Biography, examples of artists pieces of work, technique, famous pieces, analyze and interpret artist's work

#### Stage 4



Here are some tropical leaf shapes:



Next, give the children the opportunity to re-create the chosen focused artist's work using their technique. In this case, Rousseau used a range of tropical foliage in his pieces – children will use his style to re-create these plants.





Examples of exploring and identifying with key elements from an artist's piece of work/works.



**REMEMBER**: The Art Journal is not an exercise book that has to be neat, ordered and **should not** be marked. This is a record of the child's expression, thoughts and ideas. , The Art Journal is a sensitive document that nurtures a child's creativity.

# **Stage 4** re-create famous artists piece using an artist's style / colour pallet or medium

Copied piece using oil pastel and watercolour / poster paint



Copied piece using collage and oil pastel



Copy of a section of Rousseau's piece using collage and paint



## **Stage 5 – Final Piece**

Using all elements of exploration from stages 1-4 children should have the opportunity to plan their final piece. This could be a drawing of what they want the final piece to be, or the teacher could model (for younger students) the final piece.

The final piece (using this unit as an example) could be the children's interpretation of Rousseau's piece, using their own plants in the piece, or perhaps the focus could perhaps be their own interpretation of a tiger.









## Stage 6 – Evaluating final piece

Use the word

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Journals to

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help with

bank

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Colour &	Line &	Texture			
Tone					
bright	bold	rubbery			
bold	soft	wrinkly			
vivid	smooth	translucent			
cool	rough	transparent			
warm	glossy	opaque			

Questions				
What?	How?	Why?		
What have you	How did you	Why did you		
done?	do it?	do it?		
What have you	How well did	Why is it		
learnt?	it work?	effective?		
What would you	How could	Why would		
do differently?	you improve	this improve		
	it?	it?		
Sentence Starters				
The materials I have used are				
I have used these materials to show				
The successful aspects of this piece are				
because				
The areas to develop are				
I now aim to				
I was inspired by because				
Through creating this piece, I have learnt				

#### KS2<u>My Sketchbook Word Bank</u>

Colour & Tone	Line &	Texture			
primary	bold	Contrast			
bold	soft	Texture			
vivid	flowing	blend			
cool	rough	perspective			
warm	broken	reflection			
complementary	faint	Outline			
monochrome	smooth	Shadow			
harmonious	glossy	Cross hatch			
dramatic	dark	horizon			
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Children then use post-it notes to comment/make suggestions on each other or own pieces



Arnside National C of E School advocates for conversation-based assessment in art which takes place on an ongoing basis. The conversations might take place as a class, as a group, or one to one and will feed into processes of reflection and evaluation. These are not activities which should just take place at the end of projects, but throughout the creative process. This makes assessment meaningful, and not a tick-list process which bears no use or relevance to the child. This kind of assessment requires that the teacher is actively involved in each learning journey of every child. We believe this type of assessment underpins good teaching and leads to better outcomes, especially in such a sensitive area as nurturing a child's creativity.

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# Good Luck with your first new Art topic using the Art Journals ③

I hope this has been helpful. Remember nothing is set in stone and can be changed, including the topic units. Please just come and see me to talk through it <sup>(i)</sup>