Our vision is for everyone to have a love of life, a love of learning and a love of people.

At Ashurst Wood Primary our curriculum is designed to facilitate the school vision.

**Love of people**

Our curriculum is designed to recognise and celebrate differences. It is a curriculum that promotes the development of empathy, self-esteem and self-worth. Our curriculum promotes collaboration, respect, tolerance and the building of meaningful relationships.

**Love of learning**

Our curriculum is designed to: recognise children’s prior learning, provide first-hand learning experiences which allow the children to develop interpersonal skills, build resilience and become creative, critical thinkers.

Our curriculum is designed to provide challenge and enable everyone to achieve their potential and enjoy the journey they take to get there.

**Art Curriculum Intent**

**Love of life**

At Ashurst Wood we encourage all children to develop a knowledge and understanding of art; through exploring different media and studying a broad range of artists. Our Art and design curriculum promotes a curiosity and an appreciation of the world around us.

**Love of people**

Within our Art curriculum, children are introduced to a diverse range of male and female artists, sculptors and designers throughout history. By exposing children to a variety of artists and their artworks, we enable pupils to gain an understanding of their own and others’ cultural heritages, societies and appreciate many communities. Art offers our pupils the means by which to understand how art has shaped our history and contributed to the culture of our country.

**Love of learning**

At Ashurst Wood we believe art is a vital and integral part of education. Through our art curriculum we aim to provide pupils with a range of opportunities to experiment with a variety of mediums and work with different techniques. We recognise art provides children with opportunities to develop a range of ways in which they can share and express their individual creativity. Art is not taught in isolation to the other subject areas but wherever appropriate it is linked to topics and the wider curriculum. This provides pupils with opportunities to bring a topic to life. Pupils are encouraged to ask questions about artists and their work and reflect on their own and others art.

**Love of life**

Our curriculum is designed to encourage children to embrace new opportunities. It is a curriculum that provides a wide range of experiences that promote curiosity and the ability to question.