

Art Curriculum Overview 2023-24

Year	Term 1	Term 2	Term 3	Term 4	Term 5	Term 6
FS 1	Theme: Knowledge and understanding of the world- Ourselves. Key Question: Which colour should I use? Skills: To use pre-made colours and to wash a brush Knowledge: To know colours Theme: Mark Making Key Question: Are children able to use different techniques to complete a piece of art work	Theme: Knowledge and understanding of the world-Festivals Key Question: How do I make? Skills: To observe the changes to colour when mixing Knowledge: To know how to make secondary colours	Theme: Knowledge and understanding of the world-Buildings Key Question: Is it too dark? Skills: To add paint with control and to mix Knowledge: To know that adding white/ black will change the tone Art Competition Theme : Travel Key Question: Can children describe their life journeys through art?	Theme: Knowledge and understanding of the world- Transport Key Question: How does it feel? Skills: To use a range of tools and techniques Knowledge: To know different techniques creates texture Theme: Andy Goldsworthy Key Ques: Can the children compare their work to the work of Andy Goldsworthy?	Theme: Knowledge and understanding of the world-Growth/Minibeasts Key Question: Who am I? Skills: To produce portraits/ pictures with added detail Knowledge: To know that eyes and ears are central to the height of a face	Theme: Knowledge and understanding of the world-The Great Outdoors Key Question: Can I make my work better? Skills: To independently select additional tools Knowledge: Dependent upon the above
	Skills: Painting, drawing, observing and discussing techniques. Knowledge: Experimenting with different media, applying knowledge to work		Skills: designing, creating, using a range of materials, collage, paper mâché Knowledge: properties of materials, suitability within art, mixed media and collage, using art to reflect on themselves and their lives.	Skills: designing weaving, manipulating materials collage, building/sculpting Knowledge: structures, bonding properties of materials, manipulating materials the work of Goldsworthy		
2	Theme: Colour creations Key Ques: Can children use their knowledge of colour to		Art Competition Theme: Sparks and Flames Key Ques: Can children		Theme: Henri Rousseau Key Ques: Can the children create a Rousseau-inspired	
	knowledge of colour to		make choices about		painting using the skills	



	create artwork in the style of Kandinsky? Skills: colour mixing, the use of dark and light tones, primary colours Knowledge: understanding the colour wheel and Kandinsky's style of work.		appropriate materials to use in different art peices? Skills: painting, texture, collage, 3D work Knowledge: Understanding light and dark and shade, dioramas		and techniques they have learnt? Skills: colour mixing, painting, animal studies Knowledge: The work of Rousseau, the use of his imagination.	
3	Theme: Klimt – link to Germany topic Key question: Can children talk about important features of Klimt's work and produce their own work in response to his art? Skills: Painting and drawing based on careful observation Knowledge: What is artistic cultural identity? Where do artists get ideas for their art?		Art Competition Theme : Reading for Pleasure		Theme: Plants Key Ques: Can children discuss how to represent a plant as a piece of art? Skills: colour mixing, cutting, pattern making, sculptures using clay, printing Knowledge: To use a range of different techniques to create a plant themed art work, understanding of print and texture and of Oral Kiely's art work	Theme: Indian Art Key Ques: Can children use colours and patterns to represent the Indian culture? Skills: colour mixing, cutting, pattern making, angles, clay work, working with a range of different materials Knowledge: understand the history and styles of Indian art work, how to use mixed media, how different cultures represent themselves through art
4	Theme: Investigating Pattern. Link to topic on Greece. Key Ques: Can children design a pattern for a particular purpose? Skills: Painting, drawing, designing patterns for different purposes	Theme: Tudor Key Ques: How big of a role did Art and Design play in Tudor times? Skills: observation, comparing, discussing, figure and portrait drawing, clay cultures, designing	Art Competition Theme : Reading for Pleasure	Theme: Viking Longboats Key Ques: Can children use their historical research to re-create a Viking longboat and design their own shields? Skills: Sketching/observational		Theme: Warhol and Pop Art Key Ques: Can children design and create their own Pop art using items from current popular culture? Skills: Sketching/observational



	Knowledge: understanding pattern and how it is used,	Knowledge: Portraits as historical evidence of lives		drawing, research and re produce patterns on		drawing, bottle line technique, sculpting, use
	using symmetry and	and possessions of rich		shields		of colour
	reflections in patterns	Tudors, historical		Knowledge: Shape of		Knowledge: When and
		importance of the Tudor		longboats, design on		why the Pop Art
		rose and coat of arms.		shields, use of dragon		movement began, features
		Know the portrait artist –		heads and reasons for this.		of a person, Andy Warhol's
		Hans Holbein				work
	Theme: Great Artists		Art Competition		Theme: Sculpting Vases	
5	Leonardo Davinci/A sense		Theme: L.S Lowry – link to		Key Question: Can	
Ŭ	of place		Victorians topic		children use tools and	
	Key Question: How do		Key question: Can children		techniques appropriately	
	great portrait painters		talk about important		for clay?	
	capture emotions in their		features of Lowry's work		Skills: clay sculpting,	
	paintings? How can you		and produce their own work in response to his		observation, research,	
	draw a landscape setting		industrial revolution		note making, sketching	
	and use perspective?		themed art?		Knowledge:	
	Skills: Painting, drawing,		Skills: Painting and		Importance of art as	
	portraits- body drawings		drawing based on careful		evidence of how the	
	Landscape art.		observations.		ancients lived,	
	Knowledge: The		Knowledge: What is artistic cultural identity?		architectural styles and	
	importance of Art as a		Where do artists get ideas		uses of pottery	
	historical reference, The		for their art?			
	life. inspiration and work					
	of Leonardo Da Vinci .					
	Significance of some of his					
	masterpieces. Focus on					
	The Last Supper and					
	landscape portraits					
	inspired by Italy.					
	Theme: Monet and the		Art Competition		Theme: Japanese	Theme: Extreme weather
6	impressionists		Theme : Reading for		Key Ques: How has art had	Key Ques: Can children
	Key Ques: Can children		Pleasure		an impact on Japanese	use a range of media to
	apply different artistic				culture?	show extreme weather?



techniques to create		Skills: comparing,	Skills: Painting,
artwork based on the		analysing, evaluating and	observations, sculpting,
garden at Giverny?		exploring mediums	shading and colour, paper
Skills: Painting, drawing,		land/seascape sketching,	and layering
observations, shade,		magma, calligraphy,	Knowledge: understanding
watercolour		origami	how to use tools
Knowledge: Exploring		Knowledge: History of	appropriately to create likeness, observational
Monet's work,		art/design & architecture,	drawings, layering of
understanding the		Japanese folk art.	paper.
impressionists techniques.			