

Art & Design



Intent

At Welholme Academy, we believe that children should be given the knowledge and skills to experiment, invent and create their own pieces of art, craft and design via engaging, inspirational and challenging lessons. They should be given the opportunity to think critically and develop a rounded and thorough understanding of art and design, including how it both reflects and shapes our history, and contributes to the culture, creativity and wealth of our nation.

Our children will be given opportunities to produce creative work, exploring their ideas and recording their experiences. They will build upon their drawing, painting and sculpture skills, along with other art and design techniques. They will evaluate and analyse creative works, using the language of art, craft and design. They will learn about great artists, craft makers and designers, and understand the historical and cultural development of their art forms. They will keep a sketchbook of their observations and ideas, showing the progression of their skills, and allowing them to review and revisit their artwork.

Implementation

Teachers will utilise the Art & Design Progression grid to inform their planning, ensuring that they:

- Cover the full range of art and design objectives, giving the children opportunities to explore Materials, Drawing, Painting, Sculpting and Artists in every school year.
- Build upon the prior knowledge of the children, ensuring good progression of skills throughout the pupils' school life, from the Foundation Stage to Year 6.
- Provide opportunities for the children to record, review and revisit the work in their own sketchbooks, which they will take with them through each year group, building upon prior skills and knowledge.
- Provide a means to display and celebrate pupils' artwork around school.
- Assess and review the diversity, quality and progression of art and design lessons.
- Plan a range of quality trips and visiting experts to enhance the learning experience.

Impact

Our art and design curriculum is high quality, well thought out and is planned to demonstrate progression. We measure the impact of our curriculum through the following methods:

- A reflection of standards achieved against the planned outcomes
- A reflection of progress shown in the pupils' sketchbooks
- A reflection of progress made in art and design techniques, in using colour, pattern, texture, line, shape, form and space
- A reflection of progress made in art and design techniques, including drawing, painting and sculpture
- Pupil discussions about their learning, which includes their ideas, processing and evaluation of work and critical analysis of great artists, craft makers, architects and designers