



# Newport Infant School

## Art Policy

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### **Purpose of Study**

Art, craft and design allows children to express their creativity and imagination whilst also drawing on their past or current experiences. Pupils will be equipped with the skills, knowledge and concepts needed for them to express their ideas in a variety of forms including visual and tactile. They will study a range of artists and understand the significance of their work and how it contributes to our history and contributes to our culture.

### **Aims**

- develop an understanding and enjoyment of art, craft and design
- produce a range of creative work using different techniques which develops own ideas and records experiences
- experience using a wide range of art materials and show progression when using different media (including painting, drawing and sketching)
- develop an understanding of the work of artists, designers and craftspeople and apply this knowledge to their own work

### **Teaching, Learning and Assessment**

Long term planning across Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 ensures that all key skills and content are covered and that there is a clear progression of skills.

Medium term planning for 'Expressive Arts and Design' in Reception encompasses the Art objectives and content.

Art is planned within the context of the termly topics as cross curricular learning which gives meaningful contexts for learning across the three terms. The planning allows for subject specific skills to be developed alongside the context explored during reading, writing and mathematics.

All teaching and learning is inclusive and promotes equality and inclusion for all pupils. Appropriate adaptations to the curriculum offer are made for pupils with additional needs, medical conditions and those who require support with English as a second language.

Teaching and learning starts with exploring a range of mediums in Reception. In Year 1 and 2 pupils' art and design skills are developed further with explicit teaching of sketching skills. Pupils will also learn about the work of different artists.

In KS1 pupils will be taught:

- to use a range of materials creatively to design and make products
- to use drawing, painting and sculpture to develop and share their ideas, experiences and imagination
- to develop a wide range of art and design techniques in using colour, pattern, texture, line, shape, form and space
- about the work of a range of artists, craft makers and designers, describing the differences and similarities between different practices and disciplines, and making links to their own work

Art is taught through a range of practical activities that allow pupils to develop their skills. It is taught within a meaningful context that develops pupils' knowledge and understanding of their

world. Pupils will be given the opportunity to use a variety of art materials and work on different scales.

Art will be assessed using teacher judgement based on work in pupil sketchbooks and pupil's responses and skills observed during practical activities.