Summerhill Infant School





Intent

Inspiring, nurturing and supporting each child, every day to develop citizens for the future. Our School lays the foundation for a lifetime love of learning.

At Summerhill Infant School, we understand the importance of creativity and the use of children's inspiration in their artwork. As an infant school we strive for pupils to:

Confidently and independently select their own ideas in their artwork.

Develop creativity and imagination through a range of activities that inspire and motivate each child.

Gain confidence in the use of different materials and tools.

Develop a secure knowledge of different and diverse artists.

Celebrate their artwork in the learning environment linked to each termly topic.

Art is a vital part of the curriculum, encouraging creativity and independence.

Implementation

EYFS (Reception)

- A range of indoor and outdoor activities enable the children to explore their artistic creativity. This is achieved through both adult and child-led activities. These activities guide the child's interests and allows them to develop experiences in different areas of the curriculum.

- Class teachers provide opportunities for the children to be exposed to a wide range of artistic materials, tools and methods, which they can then use in their artwork.

Key Stage One (Year 1 & 2)

- As children progress into Key Stage One, they are given opportunities to study different and diverse artists and craft makers, while continuing to improve their artistic techniques.

- Children will begin to evaluate their own ideas and inspire others.

- Alongside our curriculum for art and design, children across Reception and Key Stage One are given the opportunity to participate in art days linked to other areas of the curriculum such as: 'Take a Tale' week.

- Target Tracker is used across Reception and Key Stage One to assess art. Evidence is collected using photos which can be accessed through Target Tracker. Artwork is celebrated throughout the school and in the learning environment of each classroom.

Impact

Children show a keen interest in learning a wide variety of art skills and strategies, and that they are confident with these skills as they move into KS2.

Children can both explain and demonstrate the art skills they have had the opportunity to develop while at Summerhill Infant School.

Children use artwork to express their own ideas, feelings and emotions; whilst also being able to comment and critique others work.

Children show respect for others by working and collaborating with their peers and adults. Children can reflect on the strengths and weaknesses of their artwork, such that they can embrace new ideas and continually evolve existing skills and techniques.

Children gain a secure knowledge and confidence in understanding the work of different and diverse artists and crafts people, inspiring their own work.