

What is Art?

Art gives children the opportunity to develop their creativity and imagination by exploring a range of materials and processes. It allows children to explore colour, texture, shape, form and space in two or three dimensions.



Foundation Stage:

Art fits into the “Expressive Art and Design” section of the Early Years Foundation Stage Curriculum.

Key Stage 1: Art and Design is taught throughout the year using the Kapow scheme of work. Children are also given further opportunities to develop their skills and knowledge through lessons that link to topics or celebrations.

The Aims of Art

The National Curriculum for Art aims to ensure that all pupils:

- * Produce creative work, exploring their ideas and recording their experiences.
- * Become proficient in drawing, painting, sculpture and other art, craft and design techniques.
- * Evaluate and analyse creative works using the language of art, craft and design.
- * Learn about great artists, craft makers and designers, and understand the historical and cultural development of their art forms.



The Art Curriculum

This is a brief overview of some of the main themes covered in each year:

Reception will:

- * Explore mark making using a range of materials such as crayons, felt tips, chalks, paint.
- * Create observational drawings.
- * Explore mixing colours, printing and making collages.
- * Manipulate playdough and clay to create their own animal sculptures.

Year 1 will:

- * Explore colour mixing with primary and secondary colours.
- * Continue to develop observational drawing skills and working collaboratively.
- * Create simple three dimensional shapes and structures using familiar materials.

Year 2 will:

- * Continue to develop their ability to work with clay.
- * Use storybook illustration as a stimulus to develop their mark making skills.
- * Create collages.
- * Create an African animal sunset.

How can you help?

Here are some ways in which you can support your child when learning about Art at home.

- * Talk about the illustrations in books and magazines. Have a go at copying and developing some of the artists' ideas.
- * Wallpaper is great for large art work. You could create a collage together.
- * Get into the habit of collecting interesting wrappers and scraps for collage and junk modelling.
- * Visit some of the City's free galleries and museums for inspiration. Many run free activities during weekends and holidays.

Every child ^{is} an artist.
— PABLO PICASSO —



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This leaflet aims to give you a brief overview of Art at Summerhill Infant School