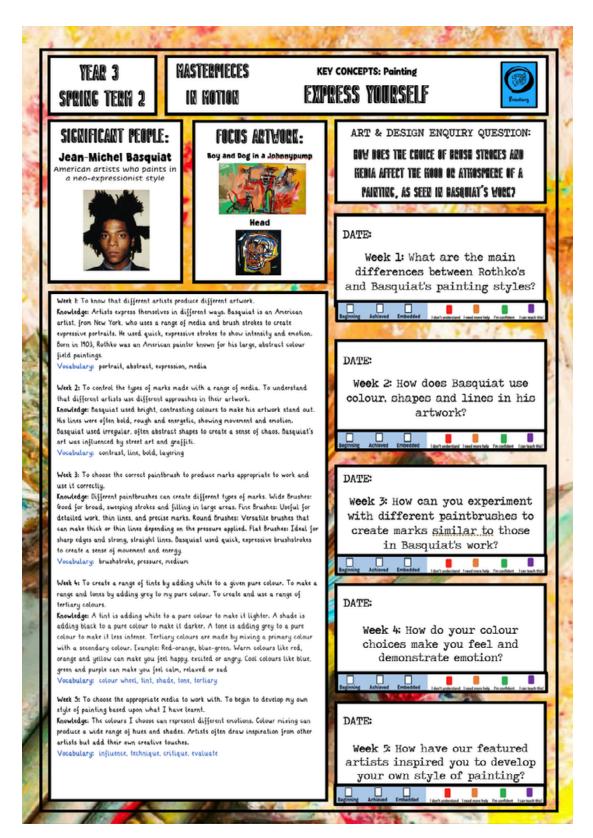


Our Art & Design curriculum is taught discretely through specific concepts and themes, which is underpinned by the accelerated learning approach to teaching and learning.

The key concepts, principles and themes have been developed from the National Curriculum into a range of progressive knowledge and skills through which the children are helped to grow and develop to succeed in 21st century Britain and ensure children **know more and remember more**. Our progressive document is split into 3 essential sections and shows the progression from transition (EYFS) to KS2, these are: **drawing, painting and 3D sculptures**.

This progressive curriculum allows a purposeful way of teaching and learning, enabling us to provide a more meaningful and sequential approach to the schema for Art & Design.

The Art and Design curriculum we offer is designed to meet the needs of all our pupils. It is rich, varied, imaginative and ambitious and meets the needs of individual learners by can easily be adapted for pupils with additional needs



An example an art & design curriculum organiser

It is intentionally designed to cultivate a profound understanding and appreciation of art by exploring its diverse paradigms. We aim to broaden our pupils' perspectives beyond conventional notions of art, introducing them to the rich collection of Traditional, Modern and Contemporary art forms. This approach is woven throughout our curriculum, with pupils engaging in both practical and theoretical explorations of these paradigms. In doing so, they develop the critical disciplinary knowledge that enables them to decipher quality, value and the nature of artistic practice.

Our curriculum challenges pupils to consider:

- What is Art?
- What defines an Artist?

Through carefully curated experiences, students learn about the traditions of enquiry, modes of investigation and values inherent in each paradigm. This comprehensive approach allows pupils to appreciate how seemingly contradictory artistic expressions - from realistic paintings to abstract installations - can co-exist as valid forms of art. By fostering this understanding, we aim to develop our pupils' capacity to engage in meaningful discussions about art, cultivate their ability to experience and be affected by various art forms and build a robust framework of cultural capital. Ultimately, our intent is to nurture informed, appreciative and creatively empowered individuals who can navigate and contribute to the diverse landscape of art in their future lives.





At West Meadows, lessons of art and design are taught discretely to ensure depth and rigour in artistic concepts and context. We want children to progress by building on their knowledge and skills each year. We believe that children should be able to think critically and develop a more rigorous understanding of art and design. They should also know how art and design both reflect and shape our history, and contribute to the culture, creativity and wealth of our nation. Our progressive documents reflect this and support our teachers to deliver appropriate lessons for the children they teach.

The Accelerated Learning Cycle, based on the work of Alistair Smith, is applied in all lessons. It stems from the idea of a supportive and challenging learning environment. The cycle has active engagement through multi- sensory learning, encourages the demonstrating understanding of learning in a variety of ways and the consolidation of knowing.

A gather, skills, apply approach to planning and delivery of lessons is taken across school to ensure children develop a deep understanding of specific skills and are able to apply these in a range of situations. This ensures that children learn how to work like an artist as well as acquiring the relevant knowledge and skills to be able to achieve this successfully.

Our curriculum is designed with a core focus on retrieval practice, recognising its pivotal role in helping students know more and remember more. This intent is actualised through a dual approach: integrated retrieval within individual lessons and a structured, subject retrieval practice rota. In-session retrieval activities are carefully crafted to reinforce key concepts and knowledge, promoting immediate recall and application. Complementing this, our weekly retrieval practice rota systematically revisits content across various subjects, ensuring spaced repetition and interleaving of crucial information. This comprehensive strategy aims to strengthen neural connections, facilitate the transfer of knowledge to long-term memory and build increasingly complex mental models. By embedding retrieval practice as a fundamental aspect of our curriculum, we strive to enhance our pupils' ability to retain, recall and apply their learning effectively, thereby fostering deeper understanding and more robust academic progress.

Our curriculum is ambitious for all pupils, including those children with SEND. Curriculum designers and teachers have high expectations of what SEND pupils can achieve and the curriculum is not diluted or unnecessarily reduced for SEND pupils. Every pupil is different and so what works for each pupil varies. Pupil's individual needs are considered and adaptations are planned to ensure the success of pupils in all subjects.

The way that our curriculum is designed ensures that chunks of learning are sequenced in a coherent way to enable all pupils, including those with SEND, to build on prior knowledge. Too much information at once can be a barrier to learning which is one of the reason why we have chosen half termly curriculum drivers.

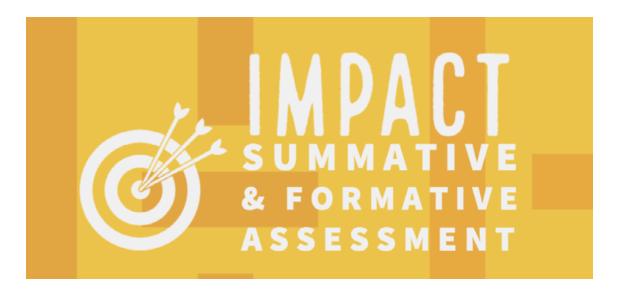
Where pupils are identified with having complex needs, it may be appropriate to provide a personalised curriculum which will be based on individual needs and will retain ambition for the pupil.

Where working memory is an issue for pupils, including those with SEND, we look to reduce extraneous load as much as possible as well as identifying key information when teaching. This helps pupils to pay attention to the content which they are expected to learn. Adaptations to support individual pupils will be recorded on personal school support plans.

We appreciate that it is not appropriate to adopt a one size fits all approach to SEND provision and in art, adaptations should be based on individual needs. Targeted teaching can be effective to ensure that individual pupils achieve specific goals, starting with identifying subject matter to support those pupils who struggle with abstract ideas. Time is also planned to ensure pupils with SEND are pre taught vocabulary to support their understanding. Teachers may need to make adaptations to ensure that SEND learners can access the curriculum, such as adjusting equipment or allowing additional time.



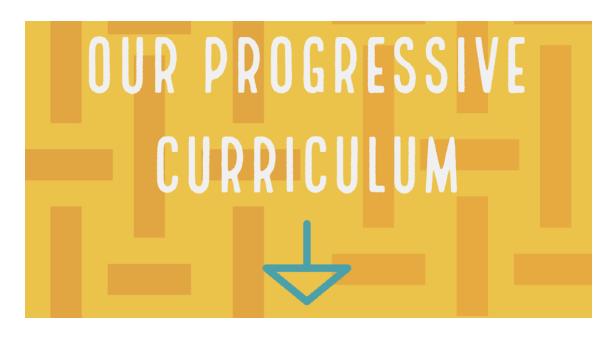
IMPACT: ASSESSMENT



Formative assessment is ongoing throughout each lesson. It judges progress and enables teachers to make flexible adaptions to their planned teaching.

Through this regular ongoing assessment, tasks are matched to the ability of each child through adapted activities and including adult support, providing a level of challenge that is stimulating for pupils and questioning skills.

Our schools are dedicated to providing a high-quality curriculum that is ambitious for all pupils. We have a robust system in place to ensure children are making strong progress in their foundation subjects using the Arbor MIS platform to conduct summative assessments at key points in the year. The purpose of these assessments is for our subject leaders and teachers to analyse pupil understanding against our assessment statements, which are progressively devised from our taught curriculum. This allows children to acquire knowledge that builds upon the fundamentals of their prior knowledge in a well designed curriculum sequence.



	Design Technology and Art & Design Curriculums in	EYFS						
Expressive Arts and Dosign (educational programmes) creating with materials: The development of children's artistic and cultural awareness supports their imagination and creativity. It is important that children have regular opportunities to engage with the arts, creabiling them explore and play with a vide range of media and materials. The quality and variety of what children see, have, and participate in it is crucial for developing their understanding, self-expressions, occabulary, and ability to communicate through the arts. The frequency, repetition and depth of their experiences in interpretate interpretate interpretate and appreciately materials and appreciately materials and support and their programs interpretate interpretate and programs and programs and their programs.								
Skills and knowledge (Fluid across FS1 FS2)	What does this look like in provision/adult interactions?	Transition to KS1	Characteristics of effective learning					
 Notice patterns with strong contrasts and be attracted by patterns resembling the human face Start to make marks intentionally (0-3) 	Ensure that the physical environment includes objects and materials with different patterns, colours, tones and textures for bables and young children to explore. Offer a wide range of different materials and encourage children to make marks in different ways e.g. in conflour, place hands and feet in paint.	- I respond to ideas and starting points (Art)	Children in EYTS learn at different read and abilities through: and abilities through: - billries are experience conduction of the condu					
Explore paint, using fingers and other parts of body as well as brushes and tools Superes ideas and feelings through making marks Explore different materials, using senses "Use imagination as they consider what they can do with materials Make simple models which express their ideas (0-3)	Provide a wide range of found materials (just) as well as blocks, clay, soft wood, card, officts of fabrics and materials with different testures. Opportunities to use appropriate tools and joining methods for the materials offered.	- I can describe textiles by the way they feel [0T] - I can make a structure [0T] - I fan jown using graphic tools. fingers, hands, chalk setc [Art] - I fan jown using graphic tools of media [Art] - I can build construction using a variety of objects [Art]						
Explore different materials freely, to develop their ideas about how to use them and what to make (\mathcal{G} -4)	 Offer opportunities to explore scale e.g., long strips of wallpaper, child size howes, offerens surfaces to work on e.g., buryan, floor, tableton, reade lusten and understand what children want to create before offering suggestions. Outdoor mark unkning on a larger scale e.g., paint brushes and powder paint, making own paintbrushes out of twigs and leaves. 	- I can measure, mark out and out fabric (DT) - I can join fabric (DT) - I can join fabric (DT) - I slimple pictures by printing from objects such as fruit (Art) - I can develop simple patterns by using objects (Art) - I can make my own printing blocks (Art)						
Develop own ideas and decide which materials to use John different materials and explore different textures Create closed shapes with continuous lines. (2-4)	 - Encourage them to develop their own creative ideas, per real life props or clip art around interests in inspire and light incruiolat; – Encourage children to draw from their imagination and observation. – Line suits, and escources that are fluid and progressive to give them opportunity to join different materials e.g., PVA plue (tow level, Spirt pins, hole punch (pigh level) 	- I understand how testifies can be used to make products (DT) - Produce lines of different tibicates and flow using a port of (MY) - Start to produce different patterns and testures from observations (Art)						
- Use drawing to represent ideas like movement or loud noises -Show different emotions in drawings and paintings - Explore colour and colour mixing (3-4)	- Talk to children about the differences between colours. Help them to explore and refine their colour mixing. - Allow children to have materials so they can mix their own colours e.g. powder paint.	- I can use pictures and words to describe what I want to do (OT) - Recognise and name the primary colours being used. Mix and match colours to different objects (Art) - Explore working with paint on different surfaces (Art)						
Explore, use and refine a variety of artistic effects to express their ideas (4-5)	 Introduce children to the work of artists from across times and cultures. Discuss children's responses to what they see. Visit galleries and museums to generate inspiration and conversation about art and artists. 	- I can identify the work of a range of artists, craft makers and designers and make links to my own work (Art) - Use drawings to tell a story (Art) - Create accurate more drawings of people (Art)						
Return and build on their previous learning Create collaboratively sharing ideas, resources, and skills (4-5)	 - Provide opportunities to work together to develop and realise creative ideas. - Incourage then is this about and tous what they want to make. Discuss problems and how they might be solved as they arise. - Link to Characteristics (thinking and creating critically) 	- I can talk about mine and others work ((IT) I can how a product works ((IT) - I know the features of familiar products (IT) - I think of I deas and with help can put them into practice (IT) - I think of I deas and with help can put them into practice (IT) - I know altered a restrict no make it stronge (IT) - I know altered a restrict no make it stronge (IT) - Look and talk about what they have produced describing simple techniques and media (It).						
Managing solf (IDT): Manage their own basic hygiene and personal needs, including ressing, point to the tollet, and understanding the importance of healthy food oblices. Fine motor (IDT): Use a range of small tools, including scisson, painthrushes, and utley. Begin to show accuracy and care when drawing.	Tall to children about the importance of eating hashibly and brushing their teeth. Consider how to support or all health. For example, some settings use a toothbrushing programme. Talk to children about why it's important to wash their lands usefully and throughout the day, including before they eat and after they've used the toilet.	- I have make a food product (T) - I understand that I must wash my hands and keep work surfaces clean when preparing food (37) - I can use halves safely to on food with help (01) - I can use halves safely to on food with help (01) - I can com makeful owing a crisers (01) - I follow using a variety of mulicable media (LHT) - Out shippes using scisors (41)						
Share their creations, explaining the process they have used. Safely use and explore a variety of materials, tools, and techniques, experime	I nting with colour, design, texture, form and function.	ı						

	Drawing									
Children will use a variety of	EYFS	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6			
materials and processes to communicate ideas.	pens and pencils. I know how to control a range of media. I draw on different surfaces and coloured paper. I know how to produce lines of different thickness and tone using a pencil. I know how to produce different patterns and tone using a pencil. I know how to produce different patterns and tone using a pencil. I know how to produce different patterns and the tone using a pencil patterns and the tone using a pencil patterns and the tone using the tone user to the user to the tone user to the tone user to the user	pencils, rubbers, crayons, pastels, felt tips, charcoal, pen, chalk. k now how to control the types of marks made with the range of media. k now how to draw on different surfaces with a range of media. k now how to investigate exatures by describing, amaning, rubbing, and copying.	range of media such as crayons, pastels, felt tips, charcoal, pen, chalk. I know how to combine a range of marks made in drawing to create a piece of art. I know how to name, match, and draw lines/marks from observations. I know how to investigate textures and produce an expanding range of patterns.	I know how to create a range of tone using a pencil to make light/ dark lines to sketch lightly. Can begin to use a variety of drawing techniques such as: hatching, scribbling, stippling, and blending.	my work. I know how to use light/dark shading with a pencil while continuing to investigate tone by drawing light/dark lines, light/dark patrons (e.g. hatching) and develop understanding of grades of pencil. I know how to develop further drawings featuring the third dimension and perspective. can draw for a sustained period at an appropriate level.	my ideas. I know how to experiment with different grades of pencil and other implements to achieve variations in tone and make marks on a range of media. I can work in a sustained and independent way to develop my own style of drawing. This style may be through the development of line, tone, pattern, texture. I can consider perspective, focal point, horizon, and scale within my drawings.	meaning of my work can draw for a sustained period over a number of pessions working on one piece. know how to use different techniques for different purposes Le. shading, hatching within their own work, understanding which works well in their work and			
Children demonstrate their understanding to create artwork.	I can use drawings to tell a story. I can begin to draw accurately.	•		drawing using a range of tones, lines using a pencil.	know how to include a range of techniques in my drawing and begin to understand why they best suit.	own style using tonal contrast and mixed media.	I know how to incorporate techniques of great artists alongside my own personal style for my pieces.			
Children know about the work of great artists.		Gehry, Vincent Van Gogh.					Artists: William Turner, Liz Ahmet.			

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