

Nurturing the Future, Inspiring Success

<u>Art</u>

Intent

At North Farnborough Infant School, children explore and develop their skills and creativity using a wide range of media. We provide the children with opportunities to draw, paint and sculpt to develop techniques in using colour, pattern, texture, line, shape, form and space. Children are taught to have a growth mind-set that, rather than saying they can't do it, encourages the children to say that they can't do it yet!

The children will learn to use a range of different materials and technology creatively to design and make products. They will also learn to appreciate and celebrate the work of a diverse range of artists, craft makers and designers. Art will provide all children with the opportunity to express themselves imaginatively, celebrating our diversity and developing their understanding of, and response to, the world around them.

Implementation

At North Farnborough Infant School our core values are embedded into our art curriculum consistently promoting co-operation, confidence, independence, respect, happiness and responsibility. We promote the values by displaying the children's art work around the school to give the children a sense of pride and ownership over their work. We also ensure opportunities for the children to self- assess and evaluate their work, which encourages pupils to reflect on skills they have learnt and how they can apply these in future.

In Year R, an art activity is planned every week for the children to access independently during continuous provision time, promoting child-initiated art activities. Adults teach and model specific skills for the children to then practice during an adult-led or child-initiated activity.

In Key Stage 1, art is taught weekly across three half terms, alternating with Design and Technology.

In all year groups, teachers lead discussions and model skills to pupils. An element of health and safety will also be discussed, particularly in design lessons where specialist equipment is used. Pupils are guided by teachers but have some freedom to be creative with the materials used in the topic and have opportunities to discuss and critique each other's work in order to develop it further.

At North Farnborough Infant School, we include a themed art week into our curriculum.