

Art Curriculum Statement

Intent

Our Art curriculum is designed to engage and inspire our children. We aim to equip children with the knowledge and skills to experiment, design and create their own works of art. Our aim is for all children to be able to think critically and develop a more rigorous understanding of art and design, with teachers supporting them by using a range of approaches to suit each need of every child. At Yealmpton Primary School, we value the contribution art and design can play in building children's self-esteem and confidence. Children create artwork with a real purpose at our school. Our art aims are set out in the 2014 National Curriculum as:

- 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
- know about great artists, craft makers and designers, and understand the historical and cultural development of their art forms.

Implementation

The teaching and implementation of the Art and Design Curriculum at Yealmpton Primary School is based on the National Curriculum and supported by Access Art planning, ensuring a well-structured and enthusiastic approach to this creative subject. We give opportunities for children to express their creative imagination and use artwork to record ideas, observations and experiences in their sketchbooks. We ensure that art is taught across each year group, with a level of progression that supports and challenges our children so that they feel empowered and develop a love of art.

Impact

Art contributes to children's personal development in creativity, independence, judgement and self-reflection. It encourages children to develop a sense of ownership over their work and reflect on their experiences through evaluating their progress and development. Children show a willingness to participate in a range of artistic opportunities and respond well to this. Children at Yealmpton Primary School can:

- Talk confidently about a range of artists and their experiences in art and design.
- Work confidently and collaboratively with their peers.
- Use their creativity to express themselves through a range of media.
- Transfer these skills to prepare them for future work life.