

Intent:

At Newton Leys Primary School, creating a we believe it is important to foster creativity and imagination in all our children. In Art and Design, we aim to provide experiences and skills in various different aspects of art and design: painting, drawing, sculpture, dance, drama, printing plus many more! We aim to provide unique opportunities for our children that enable them to express their creativity in their own way.

The national curriculum for Art and Design 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.
- Know about great artists, craft makers and designers, and understand the historical and cultural development of their art forms.

Implementation:

In Early Years both indoor and outdoor environment supports our children to be engaged in purposeful play of their own choice and interests. We have dedicated areas for creativity and imagination including painting, playdough, role-play, small world, sand, water and fine motor skills.

In key stage 1 and 2 children will continue to develop their ability to question and make thoughtful observations about starting points and select ideas and processes to use in their work. Our children at Newton Leys Primary thrive within Art lessons and enjoy the practical elements the subject has to offer. Children will learn the key areas within the art curriculum: sketching, painting, sculpting and collage. Through these areas, the children are given the opportunity to explore and evaluate their own and other's creative perceptions. We believe that art allows children to communicate their ideas and emotions in an expressive form and we encourage children to experiment with their ideas through the use of colour, line, pattern and texture. Children are introduced to a range of work by famous and influential artists to help develop their knowledge and understanding of the differing art styles and vocabulary.

Throughout each year group, children will focus on the key knowledge categories which are:

- Development and changes in art through time.
- The language of art used to describe and analyse any work of art.
- Techniques involve the development and refinement of procedures in order to communicate ideas and create varying effects e.g. sketching, shading, editing and animating, moulding and carving.
- Colour theory which explains how humans perceive colour and how colours mix, match or clash.

Impact:

At Newton Leys Primary School, children are encouraged to compare ideas, methods and approaches in their own and others' work and say what they think and feel about them. They confidently adapt their work according to their views and describe how they might develop it further. We are dedicated to the teaching of Art and believe it is important to allow children time to develop and build their skills as they move through the school. Therefore, new skills and topics are carefully planned into the curriculum of each year group allowing children to progress, refine and flourish within the Arts.