

## **Art progression of skills**. Skills and knowledge to be covered during primary education. Subject Leader – Miss Clare Souch. Last updated: January 2019

|                               | Reception  | Year 1  | Year 2  | Year 3   | Year 4  | Year 5  | Year 6  |
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| Materials                     | Use materials<br>creatively to<br>design and make<br>products.<br>Use drawing,<br>painting and<br>sculpture with<br>different<br>materials.<br>Malleable<br>materials such as<br>clay and dough. | Explore and<br>understand the<br>impact of<br>materials including<br>hard and soft<br>pencils, wet and<br>dry paper, paint<br>and ink.<br>Use a range of<br>textile equipment<br>including beads<br>and fabric/thread<br>for sewing.<br>Malleable<br>materials. | Introduce chalk and<br>pastels alongside<br>other drawing<br>materials to broaden<br>range of drawing<br>techniques.<br>Simple dyeing<br>techniques including<br>tie dying, and<br>printing.<br>Work with a range of<br>paints including<br>powder, ready mix<br>and block.<br>Malleable materials. | Introduce<br>sculpture<br>materials including<br>clay and tools to<br>create decorations<br>on clay including<br>engravers and<br>embossing tools.<br>Different pencils<br>for different<br>purpose and<br>effects.<br>Combine materials<br>and give reasons<br>for choices. | Begin to experiment<br>with different tools<br>for line drawing.<br>Create and make<br>designs with applique<br>onto fabric.<br>Decorate fabric using<br>different materials to<br>finish.<br>Introduce tints and<br>stains to paint work.<br>Use more<br>hardwearing<br>materials (card,<br>cardboard, wood) for<br>creating 3D<br>structures. | Experiment with<br>working on different<br>surfaces.<br>Different textures<br>(laminating, modroc,<br>collage.)<br>Natural materials to<br>create sculptures.<br>Acrylic paints.<br>Oil pastels.<br>Charcoal. | Explore materials to<br>create sculptures (mod<br>roc, clay, natural<br>materials, household<br>object, chicken wire.)<br>Different textures and<br>consistencies of paint.<br>Collaborative work.<br>Large-scale drawings<br>and paintings.<br>Large-scale models and<br>sculpture.<br>Art in public sphere. |
| Expression and<br>Imagination | Develop and<br>share their own<br>imagination and<br>experiences<br>through art.   | Create Art from<br>imagination.<br>Create a piece of<br>Art that is<br>responding to an<br>experience.<br>Begin to draw<br>what is in front of<br>them.   | Respond to a range of<br>stimuli.<br>Begin to give reasons<br>for choice of materials<br>and colours.<br>Begin to look at<br>different artists' work<br>and attempt own<br>interpretations of the<br>style and technique.   | Respond to the<br>work of others and<br>say how it makes<br>them feel or think<br>and give reasons<br>as to why.<br>Begin to use a<br>sketchbook for<br>practice and to<br>show development<br>of their own ideas<br>and to explore<br>technique and<br>composition.         | Talk about their<br>intention and how<br>they wanted their<br>audience to feel or<br>think.<br>Continue to use art as<br>a tool in other<br>curricular areas eg: RE<br>or Literacy. As a<br>response to work or<br>as a starting point to<br>learning.  | Use Art to express an<br>emotion. Why have<br>they chosen the<br>materials and<br>techniques that they<br>have?<br>Begin to build up a<br>portfolio of their<br>work.   | Use Art to express an<br>abstract concept e.g<br>war, love, creation.<br>Continue to use their<br>sketchbooks to build up<br>ideas and techniques<br>that support thinking<br>through a topic or<br>concept.<br>Continue with their<br>portfolios.  |



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| Techniques | Develop and use<br>texture, colour,<br>line, pattern,<br>shape, form and<br>space.   | Explore line and<br>mark making in<br>different ways.<br>Work with a<br>variety of different<br>brushes.<br>Threading and<br>using a needle to<br>create a stitch.<br>Colour mixing.<br>Use a range of<br>tools (sponges,<br>fabric) to begin to<br>experiment with<br>texture.<br>Manipulating clay<br>using fingers and<br>tools. | Practise a variety of<br>methods for dying<br>material.<br>Explore shading with<br>a pencil.<br>Creating light and<br>dark colours by<br>tinting.<br>Explore pattern<br>through printing and<br>stamping.<br>Create work using<br>natural materials to<br>develop skills on<br>texture.                                   | Manipulating clay<br>using fingers and<br>tools.<br>Decoration<br>techniques such as<br>embossing,<br>engraving and<br>imprinting.<br>Variety of stitching<br>techniques<br>(running, stabbing)<br>Draw outlines with<br>reference to size<br>and shape.                                      | Mixing tertiary<br>colours (browns,<br>neutrals, flesh.)<br>Build up painting<br>techniques (resist<br>work, layering, and<br>scraping.)<br>Use pencils and<br>penwork to create<br>tone and shade and<br>intricate marks when<br>drawing.<br>Use joining<br>techniques such as<br>slotting, tying, pinning<br>and sewing when<br>creating 3D<br>structures. | Use drawing<br>techniques to<br>introduce<br>perspective.<br>(Drawing from above<br>and below, near/far.)<br>Continue to<br>experiment with the<br>techniques of<br>different artists.<br>Practice skills to<br>create different<br>surfaces.<br>Develop sculpture<br>techniques by<br>manipulating natural<br>materials to create a<br>structure. | Use viewfinders and<br>perspective techniques<br>in composition.<br>Apply paint to show<br>textures.<br>'Limited palette' work.<br>Working with one<br>colour and developing<br>work using tints and<br>shades.<br>Construct scale models<br>using joining and<br>drawing techniques.<br>Combine techniques<br>and give reasons for<br>choices. |
| Artists    | Look at a range of<br>work by different<br>artists.<br>Say whether they<br>like or dislike it<br>begin to give<br>reasons why. | Explore a range of<br>work by other<br>artists, craft<br>makers and<br>designers.<br>Be able to give<br>their opinion and<br>say why they<br>like/dislike the<br>work of other<br>artists.<br>Use a piece of<br>artwork as a<br>starting point for<br>their own work.   | Continue to explore<br>and be exposed to<br>work by other artists<br>and designers.<br>Be able to describe<br>the similarities and<br>differences between<br>pieces of work by<br>other artists.<br>Work alongside an<br>artist in order to make<br>links to their own<br>work.<br>To look at artists<br>through history, | Begin to research<br>great artists and<br>designers through<br>time.<br>Begin to include<br>elements of other<br>artists work in<br>their own.<br>Be able to appraise<br>the work of other<br>artists and<br>designers and<br>architects, and to<br>say how their work<br>links to their own. | Begin to develop an<br>understanding of the<br>work of an architect<br>to tie in with work on<br>3D structures and<br>sculptures.<br>Have an in-depth<br>knowledge of one<br>famous artist in time<br>and be able to link<br>their own work to<br>them.<br>Be exposed to great<br>pieces of art and<br>craftsmanship   | Use the work of a<br>famous artist as a<br>stimulus for their own<br>work.<br>Use other artists work<br>as a basis for critique.<br>Research and develop<br>the techniques of<br>other artists to use in<br>own work.<br>Be introduced to the<br>work of great<br>designers through<br>history.  | Have an in-depth<br>knowledge of the work<br>of an architect and<br>choose a style to<br>emulate in constructing<br>a scale model.<br>Be able to identify and<br>appraise the work of<br>designers through<br>history.<br>Work towards a<br>portfolio of work of<br>which they are proud,<br>giving reasons for their<br>choices, and areas in  |



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|  |  | contemporary artists,<br>designers and<br>architects and begin<br>to form opinions<br>about the variety of<br>work. | through visits, visitors<br>and experiences.<br>Begin to critique their<br>own and others' work<br>alongside set criteria. | Continue to critique<br>their own work and<br>begin to build a<br>portfolio of work<br>about which they can<br>talk confidently. | which they would like<br>to develop.<br>Work in the<br>environment or for a<br>particular role (eg: in<br>hospitals, parks, school<br>playgrounds). Look at<br>real-life art in situ (such<br>as the The Angel of the<br>North; Anish Kapoor;<br>Grayson Perry; M5<br>'Wicker Man'; London<br>Olympics Opening |
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