



Art at Meadowcroft

The National Curriculum (2014) states: *Art, craft and design embody some of the highest forms of human creativity. A high-quality art and design education should engage, inspire and challenge pupils, equipping them with the knowledge and skills to experiment, invent and create their own works of art, craft and design. As pupils progress, they 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.*

Art in EYFS is explored through the Education Programme: Expressive arts and design. Specifically the Early Learning Goal: Creating with materials

Children at the expected level of development will:

- Safely use and explore a variety of materials, tools and techniques, experimenting with colour, design, texture, form and function. • Share their creations, explaining the process they have used.
- Make use of props and materials when role playing characters in narratives and stories. EYFS – Physical development ELG Fine motor • Use a range of small tools, including scissors, paintbrushes and cutlery. What it looks like in the Early Years...
 - Have daily access to a range of media and materials eg different types of paper, varying thickness/hardness of pencils, thick and thin brushes, paint, paint sticks, pastels, Sellotape, split pins, string, wool, cotton buds, glue etc. in continuous provision.
 - Are taught different techniques such as drawing, painting, printing, collage, which they can then practise independently.
 - Explore colour-mixing within continuous provision.

Art in KS1 and KS2 is taught through the following topics that cover all aspects of the National Curriculum requirements. Art is taught in the first part of the half term across the school.

Year	Autumn term	Spring term	Summer term
1	Mark making	Colour creations	Self-portrait
2	Yayoi Kusama	Henri Rousseau	Earth art
3	Seurat and pointillism	Famous buildings	William Morris
4	Plant art	Sonia Delauney	Recycled art
5	Chinese art	Frida <u>Khalo</u>	Street art
6	Landscape art	Sculpting vases	Express yourself