Art Progression of Skills

The document below demonstrates how we structure and sequence our art curriculum across the school to ensure our pupils gain a rich and wide range of skills, knowledge and vocabulary, effectively built upon year on year.

EYFS	Making	Evaluating	Knowledge
	Experiment with a variety of drawing, printing, painting, collage, textiles, and digital media tools. Create, construct and draw with a simple purpose in mind. Create simple art work, e.g. of events, people and objects using the correct colours. Select and use tools safely with basic control. Explore the effects of mixing colours. Experiment with lines, tone, colour, pattern, shape and texture with basic control.	Express simple likes and dislikes when talking about their art work. Make simple changes to their work with adult support.	Know the names of colours. Name the tools and materials they use using simple language. Show a basic understanding of how to use familiar tools safely.

Year 1	Making	Evaluating	Knowledge
	Show some control and manipulation with a variety of drawing, printing, painting, collage, textiles, and digital media tools. Mix and match colours to artefacts and objects. Care correctly for different art equipment. Use different techniques demonstrated by the teacher. Try out a range of materials and processes and recognise that they have different qualities. Experiment with different tools, e.g. brushes of different sizes. Sustain concentration when experimenting with tools and materials. Create simple representations of people and other things when producing art work from experience, observation and imagination. Use lines, tone, colour, pattern, shape and texture with some control. Adopt key elements of an artist's work as a basis for their own creation.	Recognise and describe the main key features of their own and other's work through observation [including other children and famous artists]. Show interest in and describe what they think about their own work and that of others and make simple suggestions for improvement. Make simple amendments to their own work following discussion. Express likes and dislikes.	Recognise and describe some simple characteristics and styles of different kinds of art and artists. Know the names of the tools, materials techniques and processes they have used in simple language. Understand the safety and basic care of materials and tools.
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Year 2	Making	Evaluating	Knowledge
	Show good control and manipulation with a variety of drawing, printing, painting, collage, textiles, and digital media tools.	Recognise and describe specific features of their own and other's work by making close observations [including other children and famous artists].	Recognise particular styles, similarities, differences and characteristics of the works of specific artists. Explain that different forms of creative works are
	Mix and match colours to artefacts and objects with accuracy.	Evaluate their their own work and that of others and make pertinent suggestions for	made by artists, craftspeople and designers, from all cultures and times.
	Care correctly for different art equipment, understanding the reasoning.	improvement and how this could be achieved.	Talk about the tools, materials, techniques and processes they have used, using appropriate vocabulary
	Use different techniques for different purposes. Deliberately choose to use particular techniques for a given purpose.	Reflect maturely on their own work in progress, e.g. making appropriate observations and not accepting the first mark but seeking to refine and improve as they go along.	Understand the safety and basic care of materials and tools.
	Select appropriate tools for a given purpose, e.g. brush of the correct head size.	When looking at art work, express clear preferences and give some reasons for these.	
	Maintain concentration, control and attention to detail when producing art work for sustained periods of time.		
	Use materials purposefully to achieve particular characteristics or qualities.		
	Create detailed representations of people and other things when producing art work from experience, observation and imagination.		
	Use lines, tone, colour, pattern, shape and texture with good control and fluency.		
	Adapt and recreate an artist's work using similar techniques and styles		