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Art

Art at Lordswood School



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What is Art?

Art is something that is created with imagination and skill and expresses important ideas or feelings.

Art is also a way of communicating ideas. It can act as therapy and as a conduit for self-expression, or simply a way to appreciate life's beauty.



Through art, we can chronicle history, express our values, and comment on the world around us.



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Why do we teach Art?

Art is valuable because it allows children to process their world, to deal with sometimes scary emotions in a safe way.

Art is an opportunity for making choices, coming to conclusions, second-guessing decisions, and evaluating results.

Art helps children become more comfortable with uncertainty and remain flexible thinkers.

Art is important for its own sake—as a source of beauty and expression, as well as simply for the process of creating.

Art is *fun*, an activity they enjoy.



How do we teach Art?

Our Art curriculum allows every child to experience a diverse range of Arts.

We engage children in interesting topics and expose them to the work of influential artists from all backgrounds, genders and walks of life, to ensure that all children view themselves as artists and understand that they are able to make choices about their own artwork.

We provide visual, tactile and sensory experiences and offers a special way of understanding and responding to the world.

We link with local artists including illustrators and caricaturists.



How do we teach Art?

- Immersive approach
- Open-ended and engaging tasks
- Lessons are planned according to the key skills from the National Curriculum.
- Metacognitive approaches
- Prep-For-Learning tasks
- Children are given support when they need and are provided with purposeful challenge to encourage them to dive deeper with their learning and demonstrate their artistic talent.
- Work is presented in their sketch books and across our school environment and art gallery.



Beyond the Curriculum....

GAF Festival
GAF picnic
Subject Days
Competitions

Clubs and enrichment
activities

Arts Award
Arts Ministry



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What can you do to support Art at home

Encourage to play and explore with materials – open ended activities

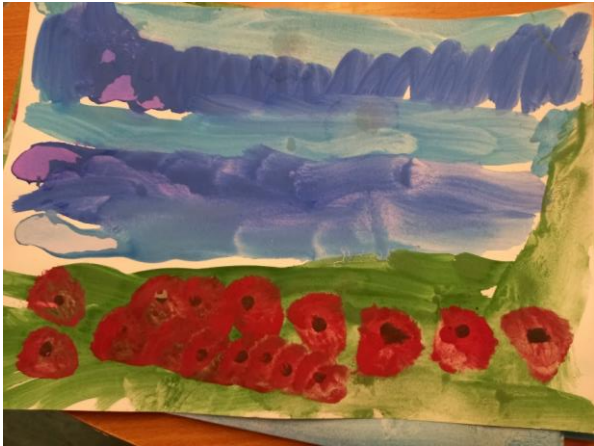
Model - Get involved as a collaborator

Be an enthusiastic audience for your child's artistic efforts.

Ask (authentic) questions -Let them use their own words.

Instead of saying, *“What is it?”* try, *“Tell me about your artwork!”*

Get involved – take part in Arts opportunities



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