

Forest Oak School



Curriculum Intent, Implementation and Impact
statement for

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Intent

Forest Oak's Art scheme of work aims to inspire, challenge and encourage pupils to develop their confidence to experiment and express their own imaginative works of art. Our scheme of work is designed to give pupils every opportunity to develop their ability. To nurture their talents and interests expressing ideas, values, feelings helping them to develop their identity in different expressive and transferable ways.

We do this by offering a child centred approach to their learning providing new opportunities to advance their skills and understanding using a range of different media and materials. This includes drawing, painting, printing, collage, textiles, 3D work, and then in KS4 and KS5 Graphic design Expressive Arts and Photography becomes available for our pupils to take qualifications in.

At Forest Oak School, we inspire our pupils to reach their full potential and offer a progressive, differentiated, high quality, inclusive and collaborative Art curriculum that meets the needs of all our pupils, including helping them learn more about art culture, heritage and the British lifestyle.

Implementation

To ensure our pupils learning in Art is of a high standard we offer a progressive curriculum which starts at EYFS that is very Multi-sensory and visual right the way through to 6th form which, hopefully provides more opportunities and becomes more purposeful for our young people when they gain experience for their adult lives.

Our Art lessons are linked to termly topics as well as learning fundamental techniques which are either returned to or built upon as the pupil progresses through the school. Helping to embed knowledge and skills, with each lesson building on previous learning. From Year 2 up to Year 7 these lessons form part of our cross-curricular Cornerstones Scheme of Work. In Years 8 and 9 we use our own Forest Oak topic-based Scheme of Work, designed to flow seamlessly from Cornerstones, continuing to build the skills and knowledge previously acquired to then take our pupils forward into Key Stage Four Accreditations.

In Years 10 and 11 students work towards an Arts Award Certificate, which builds upon pieces of coursework and topics are hand-picked to provide learners with a wide range of experiences, which follow on from and build upon the learning in the previous key stages.

Our pupils are taught to manipulate tools and other materials and enjoy art on both an exploring and a sensory journey all the way through to gaining qualifications in the subject. This helps with their curiosity, thirst for learning, skills, knowledge and understanding.

Pupils start in KS1 by looking at basic lines, shapes, textures within their environment to then incorporating this into their pieces of artwork. As they move through the school into ks2 and ks3 pupils will learn how to work on more collaborative and individual pieces including working within a sketchbook to experiment with a range of techniques, mediums and themes, to record their observations and encouraged to explore their curiosity's using

them to review, revisit, adapt developing their ideas. Moving into KS4 and KS5 Pupils are encouraged to express more of their own opinions on artists that they are studying and will continue to build on skills, techniques, artists, equality/diversity and their coursework portfolio.

Our pupil's artwork is celebrated in class and in assemblies. Their artwork is displayed in class and in displays throughout the school. Educational visits are another opportunity for teachers to plan for additional art learning outside the classroom. We also have a creative arts week in the Summer term when we invite external artists the opportunity to join in with our partner schools to help enrich our art curriculum and provide even more chances for pupils to learn new skills and work with new artists and pupils.

Impact

Many pupils enjoy Art across our school. The successful approach to the teaching results in a fun, passionate, engaging, all-inclusive, high quality art education, which provides pupils with the foundations for creative real life skills.

Our pupils are proud to see what they have accomplished and celebrated for their efforts, achievement and contribution to our school. Art also helps many of our pupils communicate and express themselves in unique, special and personal ways, which can be seen around our school.

We are proud to watch our pupils gain skills, enjoyment, confidence and (some who choose Art as an option in KS4/ KS5) a qualification as they progress through the different key stages. Before leaving our school in KS4 or KS5 with more ability to express themselves in different ways through Art.