



Art

Art and design activity enriches children's learning and enables them to communicate their thoughts, ideas and observations in a practical and expressive way. Children are encouraged to develop their visual language, ideas and feelings. Through experience of a variety of materials, tools and techniques, children have the opportunity to record creatively the world around them.

The Art curriculum aims to ensure that all pupils:

- Produce creative work, explore their ideas and record their experiences.
- Become proficient in drawing, painting, sculpture and other art, craft and design techniques.
- Evaluate and analyse creative works using the language of art, craft and design.
- Enhance their knowledge about great artists, craft makers and designers, and understand the historical and cultural development of their art form.

Teachers from the Foundation Stage to Year 6 will plan to ensure full coverage of the skills relating to the Art and Design curriculum for that year group throughout the year. This planning will be often linked to other curriculum subjects, ensuring all the skills are covered. We give the children the opportunity to work by themselves and in collaboration with others, on projects in two and three dimensions, and at different scales.

As with all areas of the curriculum, assessment is an integral part of the teaching process. Class teachers will keep records of work carried out, and levels of achievement of the work. Photographs are a useful tool to keep as a reminder of pupil's achievement.

At Brookfield, we plan to ensure all pupils are able to achieve irrespective of their ability and individual needs. Teachers provide learning opportunities that are matched to the needs of all children. We believe that art is a means of communication, not bound by written and spoken language, and enables pupils with additional needs to develop a capacity for self-expression. We help all children to respond creatively to the world around them; we give them opportunities to explore their ideas and find enjoyment and satisfaction through art. Children are taught how to care for and handle equipment and media safely and with respect.