



# Oakhurst Community First and Nursery School

## Art and Design policy

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The Heath Academy



Growing Excellent Learners

This document is a statement of the aims, principles and strategies for the teaching and learning of Art and Design at Oakhurst First and Nursery School.

## **Philosophy**

Art and Design is concerned with human creativity. At Oakhurst Community First and Nursery School we believe that Art and Design should support and enhance our curriculum by developing creativity, critical thinking, experimental and collaborative skills. We believe that Art and Design inspires and excites the children and therefore contributes to their personal development and furthers their cultural appreciation.

## **Aims**

At Oakhurst Community First and Nursery School, our aims are:

- to encourage enjoyment of art and design;
- to know and understand how a range of materials can be used to create different effects
- produce creative work, exploring different ideas and ways of recording
- to know about great artists, craft makers and designers throughout history and different cultures;
- to explore and learn a range of techniques;
- to learn and use a range of vocabulary related to Art and Design

## **Teaching and learning**

At Oakhurst First and Nursery School we make art and design an enjoyable learning experience and provide a variety of experiences and opportunities within each year group.

The learning opportunities the children will have throughout the school include opportunities to:

- Communicate their feelings and ideas in visual form based on what they observe, remember and imagine
- Develop various skills using a variety of techniques and tools
- Experiment with and apply their knowledge of the elements of art, choosing appropriate media
- Identify different types of art, craft and design and their purposes
- Begin to identify the characteristics of art in a variety of genres
- Make imaginative use of their own work of a developing knowledge of the work of other artists

- Relate artwork to other areas of the curriculum, for example, history, geography, science, maths and computing through chosen topics.
- Design and present work for display
- Look at other artists/crafts people

To ensure that all these areas are being covered, we teach Art and Design following National Curriculum guidelines.

## **Inclusion**

Planning and delivery will take into account the needs of all children, aiming to ensure no one falls behind

## **Assessment**

On-going assessments take place to ensure the children are acquiring the knowledge, skills and vocabulary appropriate to their year group (see whole school Art and Design Curriculum Overview)

## **Implementation and Monitoring**

The Governors and the Head teacher have a responsibility to ensure this policy is implemented and monitored.



**Signed by Mrs Ann Clark**

**Adopted by Governing Body on November 2020**