

<p style="text-align: center;">OUR SCHOOL VISION</p> <p>The children of The Hawthorns are at the heart of all that we do. As a whole school community, we nurture and challenge our children within a caring environment, so they grow both personally and academically.</p> <p>We are passionate about developing the whole child; encouraging them to have a growth mindset, believe in themselves, aspire to achieve their best and become resilient lifelong learners.</p> <p>We uphold a strong sense of belonging by valuing our children's individuality and celebrating diversity to ensure all our children thrive.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">SUBJECT INTENT</p> <p>At The Hawthorns, our Art curriculum intends to engage, inspire and challenge pupil's creativity. We recognise the importance of self-expression and giving the children opportunities to connect with others. Art enables our children, of all abilities, to communicate what they see, feel and think by exploring colour, texture, form, pattern and different materials and processes. As pupils progress, they can build on their previous understanding of techniques as well as develop new skills. The children develop their critical thinking skills as they develop the ability to evaluate and appreciate their own artwork and the creations of others. We hope to foster a lifelong love of art by exposing them to a wide range of artist experiences and igniting a passion for art.</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">OUR CURRICULUM VISION</p> <p>At The Hawthorns Primary School, we aim to provide a unique and creative learning experience with high aspirations for all our pupils.</p> <p>Following selected units from the Access Art scheme, our exciting and innovative curriculum is tailored to inspire and challenge each individual child, so they develop a passion for learning and aspire to be successful.</p> <p>The curriculum offers a wealth of knowledge through real life experiences to foster a spirit of curiosity and purpose, encouraging children to make connections and equipping them with the skills needed for their futures.</p>	
<p style="text-align: center;">CULTURAL CAPITAL The essential knowledge that children need to be educated citizens</p> <p>At The Hawthorns, Art is cross-curricular and links strongly with the topics being studied in each year group. We provide our children with high-quality art and design education that engages, inspires and challenges pupils, equipping them with the knowledge and skills to experiment, invent and create their own works of art, craft and design. In Art, pupils learn about a range of artists from different backgrounds and study their work and their lives. In addition, we have a weekly Art club and organise numerous art competitions and projects that allow children to develop their art skills. Our 'Art exhibition' at the end of the year, provides opportunities to collaborate, share and appreciate the artwork as a whole school community. We also have art displays covering the classrooms and hallways as well as a 'Hawthorns Gallery' which shows progression through the year groups. We aim to enable pupils to progress in such a way, that allows for the development of critical thinking and a rigorous understanding of art and design. At The Hawthorns we bring an awareness of how art and design both reflects and shapes our history, and contributes to the culture, creativity and wealth of our nation.</p>	
<p style="text-align: center;">IMPLEMENTATION</p> <p>At Hawthorns Primary both KS1 and KS2 follow the National Curriculum 2014 set out for Art. Teachers have selected relevant units from the Access Art scheme to support their teaching. In EYFS, children explore a variety of materials, tools and techniques, experimenting with colour, design, texture, form and function. Through a combination of child initiated and adult directed activities, the children can develop skills helping them to meet early learning goals in 'Expressive Arts and Design, Understanding the World and Physical Development'. Our curriculum is designed to ensure progression is achieved and each year group builds on children's prior knowledge, understanding and skills. Each key stage focuses on different themes to ensure continued interest in the subject as well as acquiring new knowledge. Children at Hawthorns are taught that Art is not a stand-alone topic, it is cross curricular and can be integrated across all areas of the curriculum.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">IMPACT</p> <p>At The Hawthorns, Art is embedded within our Hawthorns vision. The subject is cross curricular and draws upon subject knowledge and skills within other areas of the curriculum.</p> <p>At The Hawthorns we strive for:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Art and design learning to be loved by all pupils. - All children in school to be able to speak confidently about their artwork and their skills. - All children to be able to use technical vocabulary accurately. - All children to become more confident in analysing their work and giving their opinion on their own and other works of art. - All children to improve their enquiry skills and curiosity about the world and understand their impact as individuals through art and design on the world.