



Biscovey Primary Academy – Infants and Nursery

Teaching and Learning Principles

Subject: Art

‘Roots to grow, wings to fly’

School Vision:

At Biscovey Primary Academy – Infants and Nursery we aim for every child to flourish in a nurturing environment, demonstrate respect and kindness, whilst building resilience and ambition for the future.

Our curriculum ensures that we deliver a range of topics across the age phases which develops sequential learning where pupils know more and can do more, ensuring that they are ready for their next stage in education.

Our nurturing ethos endeavours to support all children and their families. Through this approach we are able to work together to ensure that we meet the needs of all learners in our school.

We pride ourselves on delivering an ambitious curriculum, focusing beyond the academic curriculum, developing a child's individual character. Our core values; 'nurture', 'respect' and 'ambition' run through all areas of school life and learning which allows the whole child to develop into a confident and caring young individual. The Biscovey child shows respect, and through ambition, self-belief and courage approaches learning with an inquisitive mind.

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Subject Intent:

At Biscovey Primary Academy – Infants and Nursery we define curriculum as the totality of a child's experience. This includes not only what activities and learning they are immersed in but also the processes involved in how the child learns. Our aim is to ensure children enjoy and engage in art lessons in both EYFS and KS1.

We aim for art to be enriching and inspiring for all children, through the teaching of artists, including both national and local artists. We will focus on a variety of skills including; painting, drawing, collage, colour mixing and sculpture. We look at a wide range of artwork to enrich and broaden children's experiences in art, enabling them to make links to their own experiences and environments. High quality texts are used to inspire and immerse children in art lessons as well as promoting language development.

The curriculum is enriched with wider opportunities, including trips to local areas, visitors and cross curricular links. This promotes children love of art and provides children with a real hand on, engaging curriculum.

We celebrate all children's artwork through the use of internal displays, Tapestry and by holding events such as our Easter Extravaganza. This gives art a sense of purpose and gives the children ownership over their work.

The Art curriculum is reviewed throughout the year to enable changes, to best suit themes and the needs of all learners.

Subject Implementation:

Our art curriculum has been carefully designed to be progressive and build upon prior knowledge. It is ambitious and challenging, enabling teachers to have high expectations of all learners. Our over-arching themes are carefully designed to build upon previous knowledge and experiences. We aim for children to be given opportunities to learn about and celebrate the artwork of others and that of artists. Our art learning has been carefully designed to fully immerse the children in their learning. In the early years foundation stage art is taught on a daily basis through continuous provision. In key stage one children will have specific, weekly art lessons. All learners are supported throughout the use of visuals, scaffolded learning and individual challenges ensuring all children reach their full potential.

Through our art curriculum our themes and knowledge are built upon from EYFS to Year Two, ensuring a wide range of knowledge is built up. Enabling children to embed, apply and revisit skills. This is designed to engage children in their topic in a highly effective cross-curricular way. Our skills are mapped to be built upon and ensure that pupils make good progress and master skills throughout their time at Biscovey Primary Academy – Infants and Nursery.

Art lessons inspire children to develop their art skills through a range of techniques including, drawing, sculpting, painting and collage. Children will develop their questioning as well as thinking about and answering questions in class. Art is introduced through WOW days and engaging activities. Sequences of lessons will be progressive to build on and develop children's learning in art, including their knowledge of artists.

Subject Impact:

We aim for every child to be able to:

- Express their ideas through their own artwork.
- Be confident in selecting materials, tools and techniques and know how to use them effectively.
- Know which tools and techniques are required to create their "product".
- Become independent learners, mastering and applying taught skills through their artwork.
- Be reflective and evaluate their learning to ensure that they know how to develop.
- Develop their knowledge of Art and be able to communicate their ideas effectively.
- Develop their knowledge of Artists including a range of local artists.

A pre and end of year assessment has been set up to show clear progress of skills taught and learnt in art lessons throughout the year, enabling children to demonstrate key skills taught.