

# Art & Design Technology Curriculum Map



## Intent

At Highfurlong we aim to help pupils to explore various ways of expressing themselves creatively and Art and Design Technology (DT) is a great opportunity for this. Our Art and DT curriculum encourages pupils to develop creative expression and explore their senses through a range of hands on and multisensory experiences. Creativity through Art and DT is taught from the first day in nursery right the way through the school life at Highfurlong. We aim to find and foster talents in this area and challenge and inspire pupils to improve their Art and DT skills.

Pupils will have access to practical learning experiences which allows them to:

- produce creative and innovative work, exploring their ideas and recording their experiences
- develop their understanding and use of skills in art, craft and design techniques
- evaluate and analyse creative works using the language of art, craft and design
- know about great artists, craft makers and designers, and understand the historical and cultural development of their art.

## Implementation

All pupils access Art and DT throughout different areas of the Curriculum whether it be a stand alone Art and DT lesson or within other subjects such as English, Play or Enterprise. We find that many of our pupils learn best when they have hands on creative experiences to remember. Teachers plan lessons in two parts, Sensory and Academic. This means that all learners, no matter their need or ability, can access high quality lessons which support their learning and also challenge. Teachers are given a wealth of resources which provide them with the tools they need to teach all areas of the National Curriculum expectations and beyond. We have a range of facilities in school which the pupils enjoy using to enhance their learning experience such as the Life Skills Room and The Gift Box. Pupils also access a range of opportunities such as creating for in school Enterprise fayres and taking part in local Art competitions. We display lots of pupils work around school to celebrate creative successes and to build confidence.

## Impact

Students are able to express their individual ideas through various different mediums, working collaboratively with their peers and developing confidence and enjoyment in their ability to express themselves creatively. Their personal engagement with activities will also improve attention span, patience, persistence and commitment. Pupils will have a range of skills in Art and DT, will be able to use a range of tools and resources effectively and will have a good knowledge of a range of Artists and Designers who inspire them. Throughout there opportunities of sharing and displaying their work, pupils will develop confidence and will have the ability to be positive about their own work. Some pupils will find their talents through Art and DT and will go on to further education and employment opportunities in this area. These transferable skills will help to develop resilience and shape their future opportunities in how they view and interact with challenges in life.



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## Age Progression

### Teaching and learning coverage

