

All year groups are taught in class groups. This enables support, challenge and high aspirations.

Key skills are taught within art & design and applied in other subject areas where appropriate. Creativity and uniqueness will be celebrated and children will become astute at editing and improving the pieces they have created. As teachers, there will be an emphasis placed on individuality and children will be given the freedom to explore art using their imaginations. Children will have embedded the key art skills needed to allow them to produce inventive pieces of art.

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Art & Design at Uplands

What does it look like?



At Uplands Junior School, we aim to provide our children with a broad range of opportunities within art, placing a great emphasis on the importance on this subject area. Our aims in teaching art are that all children learn to find enjoyment and purpose in art and express themselves confidently in a creative, imaginative manner and through exploration.

Art offers opportunities for social development. Through art, children will now how art reflects and shapes our history, and contributes to the culture, creativity and wealth of our nation and beyond.

The assessment of art is undertaken bi-annually: teachers evaluate children across the range of skills taught and developed, judging them as 'working towards', 'expected' or 'greater depth' within their current year group expectations.

I.T is used to support art and design teaching. Children use I.T software to explore shape, colour and pattern and it allows older children to develop their ideas using digital cameras and the internet.

Children have the opportunity to take part in our whole school 'Arts Festival' & our 'Take One Picture' project annually.

Children are regularly given opportunities to share their ideas and experiences. Completed work is celebrated and displayed within classrooms and in other areas of the school. This promotes respect for their own and each other's freedom of expression, enabling pupils to enjoy the work of their peers.

Planning also contains links to the UN Convention on the Rights of the Child, which in turn further embeds the "Respect for All" ethos at Uplands.