

## Art & Design

Art is a natural form of expression for children and gives them great pleasure. We encourage them to develop their creativity and imagination through learning design and artistic skills.

In KS1, art and craft work arises naturally from topic, seasonal and environmental work. Children learn to look at things for detail and to develop an awareness of colour, pattern and shape. They enjoy using materials of all kinds, including paints, inks, dyes, fabrics, wood, clay and materials from the forest such as leaves and twigs. They learn about the works of well-known artists and designers from around the world.



In KS2, children develop further skills, understanding and appreciation through observation, reflection, discussion and practical activities. Pupils work with a variety of media and materials to produce drawings, paintings, prints and collage. They also have the opportunity to work in three dimensions and to use ICT to develop creativity. We are lucky to be able to use Epping Forest to inspire artwork, thinking about the use of colour, materials and texture.

KS2 children use a sketchbook to explore ideas, develop their skills and record their work.