



Walford Nursery & Primary School



FLUENCY in ART

By focusing on these key skills at each developmental stage, pupils can develop a strong foundation in Art, allowing them to explore their creativity and express themselves visually with confidence as they progress through primary school.

Age 2 years – 5 years (EYFS – Nursery & Reception)	Age 5 years – 7 years (KS1 – Year 1 & Year 2)	Age 7 years – 11 years (KS2 – Year 3, Year 4, Year 5 & Year 6)
Exploration and Sensory Skills - Encourage exploration of various art materials, such as paint, clay, and collage materials. - Develop sensory awareness through tactile experiences. Fine Motor Skills - Practise using tools like paintbrushes, crayons, and scissors to enhance fine motor skills. - Engage in activities that promote hand-eye coordination. Expressive Communication - Foster communication through art, allowing children to express feelings and ideas visually. - Encourage storytelling through drawings and paintings. Colour and Shape Recognition - Introduce basic colour and shape recognition through art activities. - Explore what happens when colours are mixed.	Basic Drawing and Painting Techniques - Introduce fundamental drawing techniques (lines, shapes, shading). - Explore basic painting techniques (brushstrokes, blending). - Explore mixing primary colours to create secondary colours. Introduction to Different Art Forms - Expose pupils to various art forms like sculpture, printmaking, and textiles. - Encourage experimentation with different mediums. Observational Skills - Develop observational skills through still-life drawing and nature studies. - Encourage attention to detail and accurate representation. Collaboration and Sharing - Promote collaborative art projects to develop teamwork. - Emphasise the importance of sharing ideas and materials. Cultural and Historical Context - Introduce famous artists and their contributions.	Advanced Drawing and Painting Skills - Refine drawing skills with attention to proportions and details. - Introduce more advanced painting techniques and styles. Developing Personal Style - Encourage pupils to develop their artistic identity and personal style. - Explore different art movements and styles. Digital Art Skills - Introduce basic digital art skills using age-appropriate software. - Explore creating art on digital platforms. Critical Analysis - Foster critical thinking through analysing and discussing artworks. - Encourage pupils to reflect on their own work and the work of others. Cultural and Historical Context - Explore art in different cultural and historical contexts. - Study famous artists and their contributions. 3D Art and Sculpture - Develop skills in creating three-dimensional art using various materials. - Encourage sculptural projects and installations. Presentation and Exhibition - Teach skills related to presenting and exhibiting artwork. - Arrange opportunities for students to showcase their work.