



Whole-school Art Curriculum Overview

Key: Drawing Painting Sculpture Specialist unit

	Autumn 1	Spring 1	Summer 1
Nursery	Printing Topic: Marvellous Me (The Natural World) Artist: Kandinsky Outcome: Vegetable printing shapes in the style of Kandinsky Ideas: Mix paint in a tray and dip/print vegetables	Sculpture (DT link- Gruffalo characters- Autumn 2) Drawing – Spring 2 Topic: Amazing animals Artist: Steven Brown Outcome: Animals in the style of Steven Brown Ideas:	Drawing/Collage – Summer 2 Topic: Going on holiday Artist: Paul Klee Element of Art: Shape and texture Ideas: Castles in the sun
Reception	Drawing Topic: All About Me Artist: Picasso Outcome: Self-portrait Ideas: self-portrait using colour Additional links across provision: collage faces	Collage Topic: It's A Bug's Life Artist: Mark Herald Ideas: Bug inspired collage based on Herald's animal collages	Painting Topic: Travel to India Artist: David Shepherd (focus on hor elephants are drawn) Outcome: Indian elephant pattern paintin Ideas: inspiration from Rangali patterns elephant festival in India





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Year 1 **Sculpture (Drawing)** Topic: Unity in the Community (Local Area Study) Artist: L.S. Lowry/ Sculpture: Alberto Giacometti Outcome: People (stick men) sculpted in the style of Giacometti/Lowry Ideas: tin foil/plasticine/air drying clay Alternative artist comparison: Lubaina Hamid

Painting

Topic: Seasonal Changes (spring and summer)
Artist: Van Gogh
Outcome: Painting sunflowers
Ideas: Poster paint with PVA mix for texture, explore with mixing paints for tone different brush sizes/strokes (depending on level of detail/scale)

Alternative artist comparison: Georgia O'Keefe



Drawing

Topic: Come fly with me
Artist: Frederic Edwin Church
Outcome: Aurora Borealis – coloured
chalk picture









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Year 2

Painting

Topic: The Lake District (Lakes and Mountains)

Artist: Yayoi Kusama
Outcome: Landscape painting inspired by
Yayoi Kusama – dots and circles

Ideas: Primary/secondary colours



Collage

Topic: Paddington's Passport (Comparing the UK and Peru) Artist: Victor Delfin

Outcome: Fabric collage birds based on Victor Delfin's drawings Alternative artist: Clare Youngs



Drawing

Topic: Land Ahoy
Comparing the UK and Madagascar
Artist: Zatovo Andria
Outcome: Sunset oil pastel drawing
Ideas: scraping to reveal white
colour wheel – warm colours
discuss how to make it cold (alternative art)



Year 3

Drawing

Topic: Out and About (Local Area Study) Artist: L.S. Lowry

Outcome: street scene sketch focussing on buildings and people

Ideas: different pencil grades

Painting

Topic: Wonderful Water
(Rivers and The Water Cycle)
Artist: Katsushika Hokusai
Outcome: The Great Wave inspired
painting (poster paints with mixing e.g.
light/dark/blending/different brush strokes/shapes to
create wave form- mood/atmosphere).



Sculpture

Topic: Three Giant Steps
(Dover, France and Canada)
Artist: Auguste Delaherche of
Vallauris Golfe-Juan – "city of 100 potters" – is
a tourist town on the French Riviera between
Antibes and Cannes

Compare to Claris Cliff

Outcome: pinch pots or coil pots with clay Ideas: design, make and evaluate a pot







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Year 4

Printing

Topic: City to Village (Castleton)
Artist: David Hockney
Outcome: Landscape relief printings: use polystyrene blocks, draw lands

Ideas: use polystyrene blocks, draw landscape design and carve into block. Decide on colour scheme, put paints into a tray and roll onto block.

https://www.royalacademy.org.uk/article/family-how-to-relief-printing







Drawing

Topic: Come fly with me: Africa Artist: Samson Bakare/Sonia Boyce Outcome: African art/pattern with portrait in the style of Bakare

Ideas: research Bakare inspired African patterns and recreate as a background. Foreground – portrait in the style of Bakare.

Use watercolour pencils.

Understand use of complimentary/contrasting colours and why they have been used.





Samson Bakare
https://mitochondriagallery.com/product-category/samson-bakare/

Painting

Topic: Under the Canopy (The Rainforest)
Outcome: Rainforest scenes inspired by
Nixiwaka Yawanawa with Henri Rousseau
inspired tiger

Ideas: Paint a rainforest scene (Nixiwaka Yawanawa) with Henri Rousseau inspired tiger Complementary colours introduction/specific colour language

(Primary/secondary/tertiary/complimentary e.g. warm/cool)









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explorational printing lesson using corks,
sponges e.g. repeating patterns
leaf rubbings
leading up to relief printing, using more than
one colour- line, texture, colour, shape
use two blocks – background and foreground
(2 separate lessons)

Compare to Sonia Boyce (Black Arts Movement)

Who is Sonia Boyce? | Tate Kids



Year 5

Drawing

Topic: Living Things & Their Habitats
Artist: Picasso

Outcome: portraits including a self-portrait Ideas: half photo/half drawing including sketching pencils (grades), light/dark, shading, tone, depth – Black/White photo and colour photo- crayons/oil pastels/colouring pencils/ watercolour pencils





Sculpture

Topic: Come Fly With Me (North America)

Artist: Frédéric Auguste Bartholdi Outcome: Statue of liberty (clay) – architect

Children make own statue with their own theme e.g. courage, love and represent it in their statue

Make comparisons between Anthony Gormley's work (e.g. angel of the north) discuss meaning behind why statues were placed in certain places.

discuss stories behind art/symbolism/meaning/emotions

Trip link: Yorkshire sculpture park

Collage

Topic: Full of Beans (Trade/Sustainability)

Outcome: Recreating a classic painting inspired by recycled materials e.g. bottle lids (Starry Night- Van Gogh)
Ideas: Explore natural materials/collage, reuse materials to create a collage

sustainability:

https://www.saatchiart.com/collage/natural-materials/feature





Create a piece of art using natural materials and consider how you would recreate it using recycled materials – linking to their final piece.

Artist link: Andy Goldsworthy (Sculpture)

Year 6

Printing

Topic: Animals including Humans
Artist: Andy Warhol
Outcome: Repeated patterns

Drawing

Topic: Global Warning (Energy and Sustainability) Artist: L.S. Lowry

Painting

Topic:

Artist: Julia Trembicki
Outcome: (Mixed-media) Painting native
American portrait, use oil





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imprints, relief, impression pop art theme: consider marta minujin (Alternative artist)

Outcome: street scene sketch focussing on buildings and people – links to industrialisation, factories and pollution within our local area (Manchester) using charcoal Ideas: charcoal, shade, tone, depth, perspective of buildings





pastels/crayons/scratching to achieve desired effect to reveal white

Developing on: shape, form, emotions, observational drawings, understanding on prior artists, tones-complimentary/contrasting colours Ideas:





KS1

to use a range of materials creatively to design and make products

to use drawing, painting and sculpture to develop and share their ideas, experiences and imagination

to develop a wide range of art and design techniques in using colour, pattern, texture, line, shape, form and space

about the work of a range of artists, craft makers and designers, describing the differences and similarities between different practices and disciplines, and making links to their own work.

KS2

to create sketch books to record their observations and use them to review and revisit ideas

to improve their mastery of art and design techniques, including drawing, painting and sculpture with a range of materials [for example, pencil, charcoal, paint, clay] about great artists, architects and designers in history