

Subject Statement – Art and Design.

Intent:

At Ashfield Juniors we want the children to feel motivated and excited by Art and Design. We want the children to achieve the best they can and be allowed many opportunities to develop their art skills, ideas and knowledge of different artists and genres of Art. We motivate and encourage the children's learning to Art by inviting local artists into school to work alongside the children teaching them new skills and techniques. We want the children to know learning in Art is fun and interesting and they have many opportunities to practice skills in a variety of different topics. High expectations from staff is paramount and this is shown through their enthusiasm towards art, high quality modelling of skills and ways to adapt these skills and by creating effective displays of artwork.

Implementation:

We use Kapow as our chosen scheme of work for Art and this will ensure clear progression is made from year group to year group and also that the children are experiencing opportunities to develop different skills, techniques and learn about many different artists. Sketchbooks are used in most lessons and the children are encouraged to use these in a creative way to explore their own ideas and designs. These will show clear progression not only between year groups but also for the individual child to look back on through the academic year. Opportunities to widen our art skills are provided by visiting artists, entering art competitions within the local community and by building on skills each lesson to create an end product. In addition to the Kapow lessons, pupils engagement is developed through linking art work to topics studied in class to give another purpose to the lesson, allowing them time to research, practice skills, gather ideas and use their sketchbooks to reflect on ideas. Art work is displayed around school for everyone to see when appropriate. Planning for whole school Art days/ weeks will embed some of the skills/ techniques not being covered throughout the year. The use of Earwig online shows timelines of artwork produced and shows how different skills have been used and built on.

Impact

Through using Kapow and increasing the status of Art within school the children will not only make more progress as they move through school but also will develop a love of art and have a much broader knowledge of key art skills, techniques and artists. The constant use of sketch books will show progress in skills and techniques and these will be developed and built on as the children move through school.