



# Art Policy

## Intent:

At Weddington Primary School, our art curriculum aims to foster a lifelong appreciation for creativity and artistic expression. We are committed to providing a high-quality art education that inspires and challenges children, equipping them with the knowledge and skills to experiment, invent, and create their own works of art. Our intent is to nurture curiosity, encourage self-expression, and develop a deeper understanding of the world through the exploration of diverse artistic styles, cultures, and mediums. This aligns with our vision to prepare students to thrive as curious, courageous, and confident individuals.

## Implementation:

### 1. Curriculum Structure:

- The art curriculum is carefully structured to ensure a progressive development of skills and knowledge from Reception through to Year 6.
- Lessons are designed to cover a wide range of techniques and mediums, including drawing, painting, sculpture, and digital art.
- We incorporate art history and cultural studies to provide context and inspiration, highlighting the contributions of diverse artists from around the world.

### 2. Teaching and Learning:

- Art lessons are delivered by passionate and skilled teachers who provide a stimulating and supportive environment.
- Children are encouraged to experiment, take risks, and express their individual ideas and perspectives.
- We integrate cross-curricular links to reinforce learning and make meaningful connections between art and other subjects.

### 3. Assessment and Reflection:

- Continuous formative assessment is used to monitor progress, provide feedback, and celebrate achievements.
- Children are encouraged to reflect on their work and the work of others, fostering critical thinking and a growth mindset.

## Impact:

The impact of our art curriculum is measured by the extent to which our children develop as confident and competent artists who embody Weddington's values:

- **Perseverance:** Children demonstrate resilience in developing their artistic skills, learning to overcome challenges and refine their work through practice and dedication.
- **Respect:** Children appreciate and respect the diversity of artistic expressions and cultural heritage, recognizing the value of different perspectives and traditions.
- **Reflection:** Children engage in thoughtful reflection on their own work and the work of others, developing the ability to give and receive constructive feedback.
- **Truth:** Children explore and express their authentic selves through art, learning to communicate their truths and emotions creatively.
- **Mindfulness:** Children develop mindfulness through the creative process, learning to focus, relax, and find joy in artistic activities.
- **Aspiration:** Children are inspired to aim high and pursue their artistic interests and talents, recognising the potential for personal and academic growth.
- **Inspiration:** Children are motivated to inspire others with their creativity and to contribute positively to the school community and beyond.

Through our art curriculum, 'Weddy' graduates leave our school as curious, courageous, and confident individuals, ready to venture into the wider world with the tools for continued success.

