Art and Design at Mansbridge

Art is central to our lives, it brings us people together, evokes huge emotional responses and can change the world we live in. Therefore, Art at Mansbridge is more than learning the skills needed for painting or drawing. It is about inspiring children in arguably the highest form of creativity. By teaching children the skills and knowledge of art, they can not only begin to express themselves creatively through various mediums, but also begin to think critically and develop their own opinions about their own artwork and that of others. Art is illuminating, inventive and inspirational; Art at Mansbridge aims to reflect this.

Planning

- Yearly Overview
- Half Termly Overview

Teaching

We place a strong emphasis on disciplinary content and skills in our approach to teaching.

We do not allow generic pedagogies such as: differentiation, over emphasis on making lessons exciting and group work etc to trump imparting powerful progressive disciplinary knowledge, content and skills.

The sequencing of the planned components of learning are a golden thread throughout the lesson / lessons – new knowledge and skills build on what has been taught before and towards clearly defined curriculum end points.

Teaching in Art covers practical skills as well as designing and evaluating. One of the key approaches to teaching art is building the confidence and understanding to allow children to express their opinions.

Measuring impact / assessment

Each skill is assessed within the lesson against the success criteria. The impact of the practical skills can be assessed with a final outcome that each child produces at end of the unit.