

Why is Art important?

At Gorse Hill Primary School, we believe that Art is a fundamental life skill. Art is an important part of the curriculum as it provides our pupils with the opportunity to be creative and express their ideas through a variety of artistic mediums, whilst taking risks and experimenting freely.

In addition to this, skills in Art develop the children's ability to communicate through different types of media, materials, patterns, design and more. It also develops their understanding and knowledge of different artists; both past and present and the different functions of art, craft and design in their own lives, and that of other times and cultures.

What does Art look like at Gorse Hill?

At Gorse Hill Primary we believe that all pupils should have regular access to the Art curriculum, and the right to experience Art in a fun, engaging, practical and meaningful way.

We believe that Art should inspire pupil's creativity and imagination by providing visual, tactile and sensory experiences. Teachers will plan for pupils to practise and apply the skills, knowledge and understanding of Art, through creative and engaging lessons.

Following COVID-19, we feel even more passionately about children having the opportunity to express themselves and their creativity. Through Art, we believe children can respond to the changes, challenges and world around them in a safe space and via a variety of mediums and platforms.

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What do our children think?

"Art makes me feel calm. I like that you get to come up with your own ideas."

"I feel confident to use my imagination when I think about what I am going to draw."

"It makes me feel good and happy – I like it a lot!"

"I use Art as way to help me to calm down."

"I like crafting the most. I make people with sticks and little pocket bags."

What is our vision for Art at Gorse Hill?

To stimulate pupil's creativity and imagination by providing unique experiences.

To develop children's understanding of colour, line, shape, texture, pattern, tone and their ability to use materials.

Inspire children to communicate their own ideas, and to take risks and experiment freely.

To study some of the great artist/architects, both past and present.

To encourage a genuine love for art and allow children to see that everyone can create art.

To have a team of teaching staff who deliver an engaging curriculum to children.