



## **Biscovey Nursery and Infants' Academy**

### **Teaching and Learning Principles**

#### **Subject: Art**

#### **'With strong roots we learn and grow together'**

#### **School Vision:**

At Biscovey Nursery and Infants' Academy we aim to ensure that all children can develop the skills they need to become happy and confident learners who, with guidance and support, can reach their full potential.

Our curriculum ensures that we deliver a range of topics across the age phases which develops sequential learning where pupils know more and can do more, ensuring that they are ready for their next stage in education.

Our nurturing ethos endeavours to support all children and their families. Through this approach we are able to work together to ensure that we meet the needs of all learners in our school.

We pride ourselves on delivering beyond the academic curriculum, developing a child's individual character. Our core values run through all areas of school life and learning which allows the whole child to develop into a confident and caring young individual. The Biscovey child shows respect, and through self-belief and courage approaches learning with an inquisitive mind.

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#### **Subject Intent:**

At Biscovey Nursery and Infants' we define curriculum as the totality of a child's experience. This includes not only what activities and learning they are immersed in but also the processes involved in how the child learns.

Our aim is to ensure children engage and enjoy art in both EYFS and KS1. Art lessons are designed to support and engage children and develop their knowledge of artists, including local artists. We aim for children to be given opportunities to learn about and celebrate the artwork of others and that of artists. Our over-arching themes are carefully designed to build upon previous knowledge and experiences.

We aim for art to be enriching and inspiring for all children, through the teaching of artists, including local artists and sculptures. We look at a wide range of artwork to enrich and broaden children's experiences in art, enabling them to make links to their own experiences and environments. High quality texts are used to inspire and immerse children in art lessons as well as promoting language development.

Our art curriculum is ambitious and challenging, enabling high expectations of all learners. This is done throughout the use of support, scaffolded learning and individual challenges ensuring all learners reach their full potential and all artwork is celebrated.

We celebrate all artwork from all children through the use of displays, Tapestry and events such as Easter Extravaganza and Christmas challenges. All of which demonstrate and celebrate the skills obtained through art lessons.

The curriculum is enriched with wider opportunities, including trips to local areas, visitors and cross-curricular links to a variety of subjects. This all promotes children love of art and develops their language and vocabulary skills as well as the children's engagement within art lessons.

### **Subject Implementation:**

Through our art curriculum children will be taught skills and knowledge through overarching themes so the lessons are relevant and enriching.

Through our art curriculum our themes and knowledge are built upon from EYFS to Year Two, ensuring a wide range of knowledge is built up. Enabling children to embed, apply and revisit skills. This is designed to engage children in their topic in a highly effective cross-curricular way. Our skills are mapped to be built upon and ensure that pupils make good progress and master skills throughout their time at Biscovey Nursery and Infants' Academy.

Art lessons inspire children to develop their art skills through a range of techniques including, drawing, sculpting, painting and collage. Children will develop their questioning as well as thinking about and answering questions in class. Art is introduced through WOW days and engaging activities. Sequences of lessons will be progressive to build on and develop children's learning in art, including their knowledge of artists.

The Art curriculum is reviewed throughout the year to enable changes, to best suit themes and the needs of all learners.

### **Subject Impact:**

We aim for every child to be able to:

- Express their ideas through their own artwork.
- Be confident in selecting materials, tools and techniques and know how to use them effectively.
- Know which tools and techniques are required to create their "product".
- Become independent learners, mastering and applying taught skills through their artwork.
- Be reflective and evaluate their learning to ensure that they know how to develop.
- Develop their knowledge of Art and be able to communicate their ideas effectively.
- Develop their knowledge of Artists including a range of local artists.

A pre and end of year assessment has been set up to show clear progress of skills taught and learnt in art lessons throughout the year, enabling children to demonstrate key skills taught.