

Art Progression of Skills

		Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
Making skills	Drawing	Develop drawing skills by drawing from direct observation, applying and using geometry and tonal shading when drawing. Use a range of drawing media.	Draw still life from observation and for mark making. Further develop understanding of geometry and mathematical proportion when drawing.	Further develop drawing from observation. Draw using perspective, mathematical processes, design, detail and line.	Learn and apply new drawing techniques such as negative drawing, chiaroscuro, expression, sketching and still life.
	Painting	Increase skill and control when painting. Apply greater expression and creativity to own paintings.	Develop skill and control when painting. Paint with expression. Analyse painting by artists.	Control brush strokes and apply tints and shades when painting. Paint with greater skill and expression.	Learn and apply new drawing techniques such as negative drawing, chiaroscuro, expression, sketching and still life.
	Craft, design, materials & techniques	Use materials such as paper weaving, tie dying, sewing and other craft skills to design and make products.	Make art from recycled materials, create sculptures, print and create using a range of materials. Learn how to display and present work.		Create photomontages, make repeat patterns using printing techniques, create digital art and 3D sculptural forms.
Generating ideas	Sketchbooks	Use sketchbooks to generate ideas and record thoughts and observations. Make records of visual experiments.	Use sketchbooks for planning and refining work, to record observations and ideas and developing skill and technique.	Develop ideas through sketches, enhance knowledge, skill and technique using experimental media in sketchbooks.	Make personal investigations and record observations in sketchbooks. Record experiments with media and try out new techniques and processes in sketchbook
	Creating original artwork	Create personal artwork using the artwork of others to stimulate them.	Use literary sources to inspire art. Express thoughts and feelings through the tactile creation of art. Manipulate materials to achieve desired effects. Represent ideas from multiple perspectives.	Express thoughts and feelings about familiar products. Design new architectural forms, design and invent new products, link artwork to literary sources. Create and invent for purposes.	Develop personal, imaginative responses to a theme. Produce personal interpretations of cherished objects, show thoughts and feelings through pattern, create imaginative 3D forms to create meaning. Express ideas about art through messages, graphics, text and images.
Formal elements	Colour	Increase awareness and understanding of mixing and applying colour, including use of natural pigments. Use aspects of colour such as tints and shades, for different purposes.	Analyse and describe colour and painting techniques in artists work. Manipulate colour for print	Select and mix more complex colours to depict thoughts and feelings.	Mix and apply colours to represent still life objects from observation. Express feelings and emotions through colour. Study colours used by Impressionist painters.
	Form	Further develop their ability to describe 3D form in a range of materials, including drawing.	Develop their ability to describe and model form in 3D using a range of materials. Analyse and describe how artists use and apply form in their work.	Further extend their ability to describe and model form in 3D using a range of materials.	Express and articulate a personal message through sculpture. Analyse and study artists' use of form.
	Line	Express and describe organic and geometric forms through different types of line.	Learn and apply symmetry to draw accurate shapes. Analyse and describe how artists use line in their work.	Extend and develop a greater understanding of applying expression when using line.	Deepen knowledge and understanding of using line when drawing portraits. Develop greater skill and control. Study and apply the techniques of other artists
	Pattern	Construct a variety of patterns through craft methods. Further develop knowledge and understanding of pattern.	Create original designs for patterns using geometric repeating shapes. Analyse and describe how other artists use pattern.	Construct patterns through various methods to develop their understanding.	Represent feelings and emotions through patterns. Create sophisticated artwork using their knowledge of pattern.
	Shape	Identify, draw and label shapes within images and objects. Create and form shapes from 3D materials.	Create geometric compositions using mathematical shapes. Analyse and describe the use of shape in artist's work.	Composing original designs by adapting and synthesising the work of others. Analyse and evaluate artists' use of shape	Fluently sketch key shapes of objects when drawing. Create abstract compositions using knowledge of other artists' work.
	Texture	Analyse and describe texture within artists' work.	Analyse and describe texture within artists' work. Using text	Using texture within drawings to show careful observation and	Explore art through a range of different textural mediums.

				understanding of illustrating different surfaces.	
	Tone	Develop skill and control when using tone. Learn and use simple shading rules.	Use a variety of tones to create different effects. Understand tone in more depth to create 3D effects. Analyse and describe use of tone in artists' work.	Develop an increasing sophistication when using tone to describe objects when drawing. Analyse artists' use of tone.	Increase awareness of using tone to describe light and shade, contrast, highlight and shadow. Manipulate tone for halo and chiaroscuro techniques.
Evaluating	Identifying similarities and differences to others' work	Discuss own and other's work using an increasingly sophisticated use of art language (formal elements).	Build a more complex vocabulary when discussing your own and others' art.	Develop a greater understanding of vocabulary when discussing their own and others' work.	Use the language of art with greater sophistication when discussing own and others art.
	Reflecting	Reflecting on their own work in order to make improvements.	Reflecting on their own work in order to make improvements.	Regularly analysing and reflecting on their intentions and choices.	Give reasoned evaluations of their own and others work which takes account of context and intention.