

Art & Design Intent Statement

At Norden, through the teaching and learning of Art & Design, we hope to engage, inspire and challenge all of our children and provide them with opportunities to develop their creativity and express themselves in different ways.

From the Early Years, through to Year 6, all children learn to experiment, invent and create their own works of art, craft and design using the Early Years Framework (Expressive Arts and Design) and the National Curriculum. We believe that sketch books are central to the creative process and children learn to use them to enhance their work by recording observations and to review, evaluate and develop ideas.

A meticulously mapped out progression of disciplinary knowledge ensures the children learn to use a range of materials competently and creatively, building on their existing ability.

Equally, substantive knowledge is developed through introductions to a well-considered range of artists, designers and craftspeople with the intent to inspire creativity, build intellect and develop ambitions and aspirations to become the artists of the future.

We ensure the children are taught the appropriate vocabulary so that they can explain and evaluate both their own work, and that of others, using the appropriate terminology.

Our curriculum intends to build on the cultural capital of our children alongside their awareness of how art and design both reflect and shape our history, and contribute to the culture, creativity and wealth of our nation.