



Art Curriculum Overview 2026 - 2027

	Autumn 1	Autumn 2	Spring 1	Spring 2	Summer 1	Summer 2
Nursery	See Nursery planning document					
Puffins (R)	<p>ELG: Creating with Materials Children at the expected level of development will: • Safely use and explore a variety of materials, tools and techniques, experimenting with colour, design, texture, form and function. • Share their creations, explaining the process they have used. • Make use of props and materials when role playing characters in narratives and stories.</p> <p>ELG: Being Imaginative and Expressive Children at the expected level of development will: • Invent, adapt and recount narratives and stories with peers and their teacher. • Sing a range of well-known nursery rhymes and songs. • Perform songs, rhymes, poems and stories with others, and – when appropriate – try to move in time with music.</p> <p>ELG: Fine Motor Skills Children at the expected level of development will: • Hold a pencil effectively in preparation for fluent writing – using the tripod grip in almost all cases. • Use a range of small tools, including scissors, paint brushes and cutlery. • Begin to show accuracy and care when drawing.</p>					



Puffins & Kittiwake (Yr 1)	Spirals Exploring spirals through drawing and mixed-media activities.	Simple print making Explore creating pictures and patterns through printing.	Playful making Explore ideas through playful experimentation with a range of materials, developing creativity
Kittiwake (Yr 2)	Be an architect Explore architecture by designing and creating their own structure	Stick transformation project Explore how natural materials can be transformed into imaginative artworks, developing creativity, sculpture skills.	Expressive painting Explore colour, texture and mark-making through expressive painting.
Oystercatcher (Yr 3/4)	Gestural drawing with charcoal Explore movement and expression through charcoal drawing, developing their understanding of line, shape and mark-making.	Using natural materials to make images Explore creating artwork using natural materials, developing their understanding of shape, texture, pattern and composition	The art of display Explore how artwork can be presented and displayed.
Cormorant (Yr 4/5)	Making monotypes Explore monotype printmaking by creating unique one-off prints.	Mixed media land and cityscapes Explore landscapes and cityscapes using a range of materials	Fashion design Explore fashion design by creating and developing their own clothing ideas



Curlew (Yr 5/6)	Brave colour Explore using colour confidently and creative.	Take a seat Explore design through creating and evaluating seats.	Shadow puppets Explore storytelling and performance through creating shadow puppets.
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