**Bushfield Road Infant School**

**Art & Design**

**Curriculum Intent**

At Bushfield Road Infant School, we value Art and Design as an important part of our children’s entitlement to a broad and balanced curriculum. The intent is to ensure all our pupils produce creative and imaginative work. Art and Design provides our pupils not only with the opportunities to develop and extend their skills, but with the opportunities to express their individual interests, thoughts and ideas.

Children will become confident and proficient in a variety of techniques including drawing, painting and sculpture as well as a variety of other craft skills, e.g. collage, printing and weaving. Children will be introduced to a range of art work and develop knowledge of the styles and vocabulary used by famous artists, designers and craft makers. Projects are placed alongside other subject projects where there are opportunities for making meaningful connections. Pupils will be clear about what the intended outcomes are and have a means to measure their own work against this. In Art, our pupils are expected to be reflective and evaluate their work, think about how they can make changes and keep improving.

In Key Stage 1, each autumn term begins with the colour project *Mix it.* The teaching of this project in Years 1 and 2 enables children to be introduced to and then revisit colour theory and provides plentiful opportunities for children to explore primary and secondary colours.

Year 1 begins by exploring themes directly relating to the children themselves, such as their facial features, the surrounding natural world and their local community. In Year 2, the projects expand children’s artistic horizons to study a more comprehensive range of artists, artistic movements and creative techniques.