



# Art & Design

## What our children say.....

"I love my Art lessons because we can explore and get messy." – Age 6

"I learn new painting skills in my lessons, and they are really fun because I like to mix colours and find out what happens." – Age 7

"I love to draw and paint. I like Art because it makes me feel good about myself." - Age 9

"I look forward to my art lessons because I like to work with my friends, and you get to do that in Art. I also enjoy learning new skills" – Age 10

## What Art looks like at Ribbon

At Ribbon, all children have the opportunity to take part in a range of engaging and stimulating artistic activities.

We believe that it is essential to develop children's creativity, imagination and empower each child as an individual artist. We do this through exploring famous artists, architects, and designers, and developing skills in painting, drawing, textiles, and sculpture. We enable children to engage in creative discussions using artistic vocabulary. Children learn to reflect and continuously adapt and improve their artwork.

Throughout their Art journey at Ribbon, we want children to become curators, critics, tutors and ultimately, artists.

## Examples of Learning at Ribbon

At Ribbon, all children have the right to access high quality Art lessons. All children, including those with SEND or More Able are set appropriate learning experiences and challenges in response to a diverse range of learning needs to overcome any potential barriers to learning and celebrate children's individuality as artists.

Children also have a chance to develop their artistic creativity and skills in a range of enrichment activities. For example, through the collaborative creation of sets and props for the school production, by creating decorations for celebration days such as Christmas and Easter, through taking part in wider community projects, and through creating individual pieces of framed art for the Ribbon Art Gallery.

## Why is Art important?

Art has no right or wrong! Art is self-expression! It allows you to communicate all over the world.

Through art, all children have an invaluable opportunity to communicate their inner thoughts and feelings through a range of media. Art can be a restorative and therapeutic experience, enabling children to express themselves as individuals as well as promoting physical skills and wellbeing.

Our holistic approach to Art and the way it weaves through other areas of the curriculum encourages the child's respect for their, their own and other cultures, family, and the environment as they learn about the artistic world around them, supporting Rights Respecting.

It allows children of all abilities to participate and be challenged in a stimulating and safe environment.