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## **ART STATEMENT**

Art facilitates self-expression and at Polesden Lacey Infant School we view it as an essential tool in the child's development; we therefore aim to:

- teach a broad range of techniques
- provide a breadth of experience through a balanced diet of activities
- encourage the appreciation of the work of artists

At Polesden Lacey Infant School we endeavour to achieve these aims by following a scheme of work which sets out specific objectives for each year group. These reflect the Early Learning Goals for Foundation Stage and the programmes of study for Key Stage 1 of the National Curriculum.

### **Objectives**

- a broad range of techniques taught will include drawing, painting, collage, print making, sculpture, clay work and textiles
- a broad range of equipment will be provided to enable children to explore and investigate mark making
- a broad range of materials will be provided to enable children to communicate ideas
- breadth of experience will be provided through large and small scale projects.
- visual literacy will be developed through exploration of line, shape, form, tone, colour, texture, space and pattern
- appreciation of the work of famous artists will be used to stimulate the children's own work

Objectives for display are set out in a separate policy

### **Role of the Teacher**

Class teachers will evaluate work and help the children to move on progressively through a range of skills, being aware of the developmental stages involved in producing:

- the human figure
- pictorial composition
- skills and techniques

A file is available to help all members of staff to become familiar with the syntax of visual literacy. This file also contains ideas for using the work of famous artists and a brief history of art, from classical through to pop-art.