



Art at Ashlands



Pablo Picasso – “Every child is an artist.”

At Ashlands, Art is a highly valued aspect of our curriculum.

We develop each child’s confidence and enjoyment in art through a wide range of activities.

We improve their mastery of art using a variety of techniques and media including pencil, charcoal, pastel, paint, clay, collage, weaving, printing and 3D modelling.



The children have a sketch book which they continue to use throughout their years with us. This displays their progression and development as well as their understanding of art history and cultures.



At Ashlands, we study many artists and art movements throughout history to the present day. The following artists are some of those who inspire us:



Henri Rousseau

Wassily Kandinsky

Katsushika Hokusai

Van Gogh

LS Lowry

Henri Matisse -
"Creativity takes courage."

Andy Goldsworthy

Gustav Klimt

The art topics taught throughout school are closely linked to the Integrated Curriculum that is the focus for each year groups' half term.

David Hockney

Claude Monet

Joan Miro



David Hockney – "The urge to draw must be quite deep within us because children love to do it."



In Year 2 we study colour theory and use Kandinsky's artwork as an inspiration.

Giuseppe Archimboldo

Leonardo Da Vinci

Georgia O'Keeffe

For several years Ashlands have submitted the children's artwork into the Wharfedale Art Competition and have been very successful across many of the categories.



Surrealism is one of the children's favourite topics studied in Key Stage 2!

Edgar Degas – "Art is not what you see, but what you make others see."