

Art in the Foundation Stage—Nursery



WOW words

Paint

Collage

Mix

Brush

Create

Cut

Colour

What does it look like?

Children in Nursery have the freedom to access the creative area at any time, they are able to explore all available resources and make their own creations. Children are encouraged to be independent but staff are on hand to extend learning and vocabulary.

Children are also encouraged to explain what they have drawn or made.

Activities are provided through adult-led and child-led experiences both indoors and outdoors.

The children's learning is guided through their interests, individual needs and stages of development. We always celebrate children's own work and display them within our environment.

Early Years Outcomes

Children in Nursery will:

- ◆ Explore different materials freely, to develop their ideas about how to use them and what to make.
- ◆ Develop their own ideas and then decide which materials to use to express them.
- ◆ Join different materials and explore different textures.
- ◆ Draw with increasing complexity and detail, such as representing a face with a circle and including details.
- ◆ Use drawing to represent ideas like movement or loud noises.
- ◆ Show different emotions in their drawings and paintings, like happiness, sadness, fear, etc.
- ◆ Explore colour and colour mixing.



Key Knowledge and Skills- Children will:

- Recognise and name different colours
- Experiment with colour and mixing colours
- Access a range of resources available
- Select a resource for a purpose - i.e. scissors for cutting
- Express their own ideas through drawings
- Talk about their own drawings
- Use their hands and feet to explore different textures
- Be independent with their creations

Key Questions

Can you join them together?

What will you use?

What colour have made?

Can you tell me about your picture?

How are feeling?

