

## Art at Menston Primary School

At Menston Primary School we are committed to providing an Arts Curriculum which engages, inspires and challenges our pupils, equipping them with the knowledge and skills to experiment, invent and create their own works of art, craft and design.

We believe that art is about creativity, imagination and exploration of personal expression.



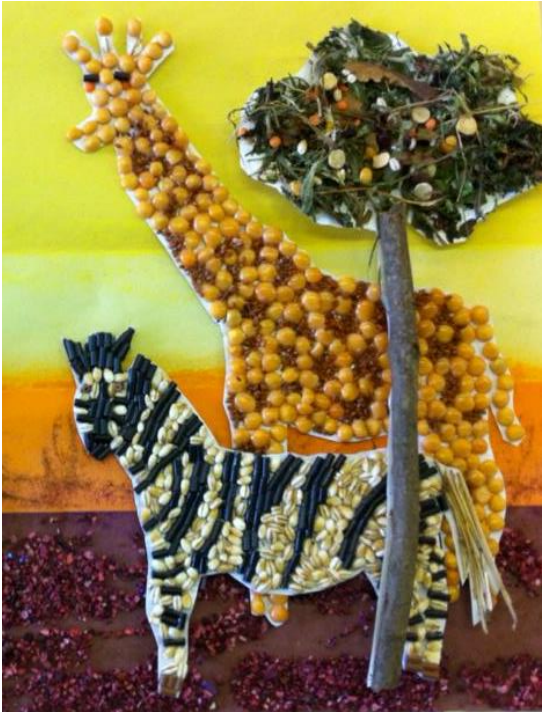
Year 1 pupils mixing colours to create their very own time machine.

Children study a range of famous art works and are encouraged to comment and express an opinion upon these. We provide the opportunity to learn about the creative arts of different cultures and to explore the meanings and feelings evoked from hands-on and practical experiences.



Year 6 pupils' interpretation of a famous Van Gogh painting.

Our curriculum develops pupil's technical art skills using a range of drawing, painting and sculpture materials. Strong links have been formed between Art, Design Technology, ICT and other subject areas, so that children can apply these skills within different contexts, and challenge and extend their learning. We ensure clear progression throughout our curriculum and build upon pupil's skills year by year.



Year 2 art work linked to their topic on Africa.

We provide opportunities for self-expression and a sense of personal achievement, celebrating and displaying pupil's art work throughout school.



A colourful display by Key Stage One Art Club.

Children will also have the opportunity to extend their knowledge by working alongside artists and participating in out of hour's clubs.



Mural created by Foundation pupils alongside local artist Justin Leeming.

We recognise the significant impact that 'The Arts' can have on the promotion of:

- Identity
- Self-belief
- Enjoyment
- Pride
- Collaboration
- Communication
- Creativity



Year 5 children take advantage of the weather.

C. Kenyon (Art Manager)