<u>Art – Protected Characteristics</u>

The Equality Act 2010

The Equality Act 2010 is a law in the UK that helps protect people from discrimination, ensuring everyone is treated fairly and equally. It ensures that everyone in Britain is protected from discrimination, harassment and victimisation based upon the nine protected characteristics. Through our Art curriculum, we ensure that our children understand we are all different, we should celebrate our differences and that we are all equal.



The 9 Protected Characteristics are actively promoted in school through:

- · Our school ethos statements, SDP, and SEF
- Our school core values
- Our school behaviour policy
- Conscious role modelling by all adults in the school community
- Active engagement and communication with parents and carers
- Assemblies

- British Values
- Discussion within curriculum
- Promoting articulation by building appropriate language and a coherent vocabulary
- PSHE
- Religious Education (RE) lessons
- Sporting, Art and Cultural Events
- Pupil Voice
- Educational visits
- Real-life learning outside the classroom
- Guest speakers
- Extra-curricular activities, after-school clubs, charity work and work within the local community

Art

Children are given the opportunity to study the work of a diverse range of artists and crafts people across historical periods, cultures and backgrounds.

The teaching and learning of artistic techniques promotes individual liberty, tolerance and the school value of open-mindedness.

The children engage in discussions where they evaluate their own and others work, speaking respectfully and taking on others' ideas and opinions.

Several Arts and Crafts clubs are offered throughout the school to foster enthusiasm for the subject and encourage children to apply their knowledge and skills to self-driven activities.

We visit Wigthwick Manor's Portrait Gallery and view their William Morris collection as way of investigating local significant artists.

Art provides a non-verbal medium for all children to express themselves freely. It fosters resilience and creative problem-solving.

Finally, the children develop visual literacy by examining art which is becoming vitally important in our increasingly digital world.