Vocabulary Progression for Art

To note:

Due to the unique nature of the structure of classes each year at Martlesham Primary Academy, children may be exposed to vocabulary in a year prior or year after their own year group. This is due to the need for mixed-aged classes within the school.

Generate, Create and Evaluate:

EYFS	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
art	abstract	compose	adapt	constructive	critique	montage
plan	communicate	evaluate	aspect	figure	horizon	mood board
safe	describe	medium	composition	geometric	preliminary sketch	
	design	represent	examine	posture		
	explore	scale	mosaic	proportion		
	feedback		motif			
	opinion		perspective			
	realistic		review			
	unique		technique			

Painting:

EYFS	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
blue	primary colour	secondary colour	complementary	analogous	expressive	
brush		hue	tertiary colour		tint	
dark					vibrancy	
light						
mix						
paint						
red						
wash						
yellow						

Pencil, Ink, Charcoal and Pen:

EYFS	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
chalk	curved		cross-hatch	stipple	contour line	
colour	dotty			tone		
crayon	jagged					
draw	pointed					
pen	spiral					
pencil	wavy					
thick	zigzag					
thin						

Printing:

EYFS	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
press	collagraph		carve			
print	palette		lino			
sponge	printmaking		relief			
	texture					

Malleable Materials:

EYFS	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
break	three-dimensional	imprint	coil	armature	cast	soapstone
build	form		sculpture	score		
hard			slip			
make						
pinch						
push						
pull						
shapes						
soft						
squeeze						
tear						
twist						

Paper and Fabric:

EYFS	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
cut	bumpy	surface	loom	back stitch	decoupage	
glue	collage		warp	embroidery	origami	
image	fabric		weave	running stitch	quilling	
material	furry		weft	tacking		
over	grooved		yarn			
pattern	ridged					
picture	spiky					
rip	wrinkly					
rough						
scissors						
shiny						
smooth						
stick						

Compare and Contrast:

EYFS	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
	compare	background	contemporary			conceptual
	different	foreground	subject			figurative
	similar	man-made	traditional			
		natural	vintage			
		observe				

People, Artwork and Movements:

EYFS	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
		Pop Art	Beaker culture	craftspeople	Expressionism	Cubism
			botanical		Impressionism	Inuit Art
					Surrealism	Orphism