



Teaching Art at KJA

The teaching of Art at Kensington Junior Academy provides our pupils with opportunities to explore and become more confident in using a range of expressive artistic techniques.

The learning at KJA is rooted in the five Learning Behaviours and combines practical skills with greater knowledge, which will prepare pupils for life in a world where understanding, adaptability and transferable skills are critical.

Our core intent is to enable all pupils to:

- o Develop an enthusiasm and love of being creative.
- Become proficient in drawing, painting, sculpture and other media techniques.
- Develop an awareness of a range of artists and styles, providing opportunities to work in this style themelves.
- Use a sketchbook effectively, to creatively record, experiment and explore ideas.
- Develop critical skills to help analyse and improve their own work.

Art is taught, where possible, as part of a cross-curricula model with staff following a process model to ensure pupils become adept at 'Thinking like an Artist'.

A Process Model for Art

#1 Study

- Study an artist or movement.
- Sketch, annotate and reflect on the process.

#4 Final

- Analyse and reflect on your final piece.
- Consider the process and improvements to be made.

Think like an **Artist**

#3 Practice

- Develop skills to replicate the artist or movement.
- Practice using primary & secondary colours.
- Sketch.

#2 Experiment

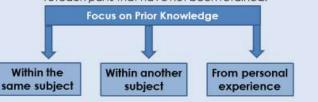
- Experiment in the style of an artist or movement.
- Consider media, texture, line and colour through sketching.

In order to 'Think like an Artist' pupils will work through four distinct areas:

Link It

Focus on Prior Knowledge

- Be proactive in helping pupils to recall prior learning from previous units of learning within the subject or from other subjects.
 - Give time to, and respect, any personal experiences pupils may bring to the learning.
- Ensure pupils are secure in their prior knowledge within the subject before starting new unit of learning.
- Where appropriate, use a diagnostic assessment to check on retention and then reteach parts that have not been retained.



Check It

- Create checkpoints throughout the lesson to ensure that pupils have understood the current learning.
- Mark in the moment and provide instant feedback to pupils. Ensure you
 pick up on pupils who are falling behind.
- When possible, provide rapid intervention for those pupils that need it.
- Use retention assessments to help you gain a picture of any gaps that may be occurring.

Use the information from above to target intervention through peer support and teacher and TA support.

Identify individuals who need additional challenge.

Learn It

- Present new learning to pupils in small chunks to prevent cognitive overload.
 - Effectively the composite and component examples work for this.
- Provide effective modelling and plan time for guided and independent practice.
- Ensure there are opportunities for pupils to develop their substantive knowledge alonaside disciplinary knowledge.
- Start with an activity to focus on being a scientist, historian or a geographer (artist, technologist)
 - Ensure you have rehearsed any new concepts and checked understanding.
 - Use talk for learning to comprehend new concepts and vocabulary.

New Vocabulary

 Ensure that there are opportunities for pupils to learn new vocabulary (speaking frames, etc.

Show It

- Ensure that there are opportunities for pupils to showcase their learning.
- Ensure that this links the disciplinary with the substantive knowledge. For example, in history ensure that you link in the impact the period studied had on our lives today. Give pupils time to challenge the quality of the evidence.
- Maximise opportunities to develop cross curricular activities, independent writing, knowledge displays, group activities that could be filmed and shared as well as through debate and drama.
- Provide ample opportunity to showcase their new skills and new knowledge in a variety of ways.
- In addition, provide opportunities to use the new vocabulary they have acquired
 in other areas of the curriculum.

Outcomes of Learning

