Progression in Art Skills

Skill	Year Group	Activity ideas
Drawing	Year 1	Dinosaur drawing - thick and thin lines for parts of the body
	Thick and thin lines	Observational drawings of an animal (wild and wonderful) - drawing
	Shapes	from shapes to start
	Pastels felt tips, pencils	Portraits /self portraits
	Begin sketchbooks to explore lines and shapes	
	Mindfulness drawing - lines and shapes	
	Year 2	Peter Thorpe - space art using chalk building on thick and thin lines
	Shading	from Year 1, shading.
	Pattern and shape	Shape - silhouettes of buildings for Great Fire of London pictures
	Chalk pastels, felt tips, pencils	Pattern and shape - Australian art - design for printmaking
	Sketchbooks to explore shading	
	Mindfulness drawing - lines, shapes, shading, patterns	
	Year 3	Using lines and shading to create tone
	Tone	Cave drawings using lines and shading
	Texture	Observational drawing of a bronze age object
	Sketchbooks to explore line, tone, texture	Explore animal skin/fur and make marks to show texture
	Mindfulness Drawing - lines, shading, patterns, shapes, light and dark	Observational drawing of African animal using lines to create tone
		and texture
	Year 4	Using different types of pencils to explore line, tone, texture -
	Tone and Texture	drawings inspired by the Tin Forest
	Light and shadow	Shadow effects inspired by the lamppost in 'The Lion, The Witch
	Sketchbooks to explore line, tone, texture and creating shadow	and The Wardrobe'.
	Mindfulness Drawing - tones and texture, light and dark lines	Observational drawing of a Roman statue or Roman pottery
	Year 5	Stepanova inspired drawings
	Techniques to add effects, e.g. hatching and cross-hatching to add	Drawing techniques to create Egyptian Portraits using different
	shadows or reflection.	drawing techniques to show movement - battle drawing based on
	Movement	Bayeux Tapestry
	Use Digital programmes to create designs	Observational drawings - water reflections, tie in with
	Sketchbooks to explore line, tone, texture and creating shadow	Monet/Turner or Hokusai
	Mindfulness Drawing - tones and texture, light and dark lines	Price Colonials incrined illustrations using populate sheding to show
	Year 6	Brian Selznick inspired illustrations using pencils, shading to show
	Techniques to add effects, e.g. hatching and cross-hatching to add shadows or reflection.	shadows.
	Movement and perspective	
	Use Digital programmes to create designs	
	Sketchbooks to explore line, tone, texture and creating shadow	
	Mindfulness Drawing - tones and texture, light and dark lines	

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Painting	Year 1 Primary and secondary colours - colour mixing Begin to explore warm and cool colours Experiment with different brushes Experiment with other painting tools	Primary and secondary colours to create Andy Warhol style pictures Mixing secondary colours to create Mother's Day cards Use different brushes and painting tools such as rollers to help create group habitats scene Portraits using thick and thin brushes
	Year 2 Recap primary and secondary colours Add white and black to alter tints and shades Warm and cool colours Use paint to explore techniques such as a watercolour wash and dabbing	Colour mixing - The colour Monster Tints and shades - choose a colour for the colour monster and paint using tints and shades adding black and white. Warm colours and cools colours - use warm colours for Great Fire of London backgrounds Different paint techniques and cool colours to create an underwater background scene
	Year 3 Mixing colours using primary, secondary colours and tints and shades Textures Abstract art Understanding the terms foreground and background	Nick Rowland - flick and drip techniques using paint and mixing colours to create a volcano (warm colours) Cave painting onto sandpaper - show textures for animals using lines and patterns Using knowledge of colour, pattern and line - Esther Mahlangu African art.
	Year 4 Mixing colours effectively using correct terminology - primary and secondary colours, tints, shades etc. Creating textures and effects with paint Understanding foreground, middle ground, background	Turner - explore painting techniques and colour mixing. Creating an artwork that includes a background, middle ground and foreground. Fresco painting - Romans
	Year 5 Using a colour palette to suggest a mood Developing a proficiency using colour and techniques Learning about impressionism	Monet waterlilies or other impressionist artists that painted outside Create landscape painting
	Year 6 Using a colour palette to suggest a mood Developing a proficiency using colour and techniques Using different types of paint e.g. watercolour and acrylics Understanding the terms abstract and realism	

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Sculpture	Year 1 Use a variety of materials such as recycled materials and natural materials Cutting, joining and construction skills will link in with DT Use techniques such as rolling or pinching Explore shape, texture and line Understand abstract as a term when creating a sculpture	Andy Goldsworthy - natural sculptures Recycled materials to create habitats Recycled materials to create castles Clay fossils
	Year 2 Use a variety of materials such as recycled materials and natural materials Cutting, joining and construction skills will link in with DT Use techniques such as rolling or pinching Explore shape, texture and line Understand geometric as a term when learning about sculpture	3D shape work with creating sculptures - topic based models Clay pinch pots
	Year 3 Cutting, making and combining shapes to create recognisable forms Using clay and/or other malleable materials and practising joining techniques Use tools and materials to add details to sculptures	Clay vessels with a handle to practise joining techniques 3D volcanos African masks
	Year 4 Cutting, making and combining shapes to create recognisable forms Using clay and/or other malleable materials and practising joining techniques Use materials to add details to sculptures Use tools and materials to add details to sculptures	Tinfoil and pipe cleaner iron man sculpture Mayan clay idols
	Year 5 Begin to use their knowledge of sculpture to plan and design a sculpture Use tools and materials to carve, add shape, texture and pattern Further develop cutting and joining skills, e.g. using slips and wire when using clay. Use different materials to create sculptures Sketchbooks to develop ideas -planning and design	Constructivist sculpture based on Stepanova
	Year 6 Further develop their knowledge of sculpture to plan and design a sculpture Use tools and materials to carve, add shape, texture and pattern Further develop cutting and joining skills, e.g. using slips and wire when using clay. Use other materials to create a sculpture, recyclable materials, natural materials Sketchbooks to develop ideas -planning and design	

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Collage	Year 1	Fabric Christmas cards link in with DT and Textiles
	Sort and arrange materials	
	Year 2	Kandinsky collage
	Use a combination of materials that have been cut, torn and glued	Materials collage (link in with Science topic)
		Add a collage element to a created artwork
	Year 3	Add a collage element to a created artwork
	Use a variety of media to create a collage	
	Use different techniques such as overlapping, tessellating, montage	
	Year 4	Roman Mosaics
	Mosaics	
	Use a variety of media to create a collage	
	Use different techniques such as overlapping, tessellating, montage	
	Year 5	Matisse inspired collages
	Use the skills and techniques developed previously to plan their ideas when	Constructivist collage based on Stepanova
	creating a collage.	
	Create and arrange patterns	
	Use mixed media to create a collage	
	Sketchbooks to develop ideas -planning and design	
	Year 6	
	Use the skills and techniques developed previously to plan their ideas when	
	creating a collage.	
	Create and arrange patterns	
	Use mixed media to create a collage	
	Sketchbooks to develop ideas - planning and design	

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Textiles	Year 1	Fabric Christmas cards
	Use fabric to create an artwork	Paper weaving
	Show pattern by weaving	
	Year 2	Aboriginal art - link in with printing
	Use a dying technique to alter a textile's colour and pattern.	
	Decorate textiles with glue or stitching to add colour and detail, e.g add a	
	button or sequins.	
	Year 3	Rainforest - sewing frogs
	Year 4	Christmas decoration
	Select appropriate materials, giving reasons, thinking about colour, line,	
	pattern texture.	
	Develop cutting, joining and stitching skills.	
	Year 5	
	Further develop weaving, overlapping and layering techniques	
	Use a range of materials and fabrics	
	Add decoration to create effect	
	Experiment with pattern and colour	
	Sketchbooks to develop ideas -planning and design	
	Year 6	
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Printing	Year 1 Use a variety of materials to print with sponges, fruit, blocks Use a range of techniques, e.g. rolling, pressing, stamping rubbing	Printing textures and patterns into a castle wall - group clay castles.
	Year 2 Use a variety of materials to print with sponges, fruit, blocks Use a range of techniques, e.g. rolling, pressing, stamping rubbing	Aboriginal art - tie in with textiles
	Year 3 Use different printing blocks, e.g. coiled string glued to a block. Using more than colour to layer a print	String block printing Polystyrene printing tiles
	Year 4 Make a printing block. Make repeated patterns with increasing precision.	String block printing Polystyrene printing tiles
	Year 5 Build on their knowledge of printing by designing and creating a printing block Create and arrange patterns. Mono printing and/or relief printing Collograph Sketchbooks to develop ideas -planning and design	Collograph - could tie in with constructivism - cardboard collographs
	Year 6 Build on their knowledge of printing by designing and creating a printing block Create and arrange patterns. Mono printing and/or relief printing Sketchbooks to develop ideas -planning and design	

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Other Artists	Year 1 Andy Goldsworthy Andy Warhol Learn their works, techniques and processes Express opinions on artworks Use them as inspiration to create their own artwork	Andy Goldsworthy - Natural Sculptures Andy Warhol - pop art prints
	Year 2 Peter Thorpe Kandinsky Learn their works, techniques and processes Express opinions on artworks Use them as inspiration to create their own artwork. Compare their work.	Peter Thorpe - space pictures Kandinsky - collages
	Year 3 Nick Rowland Esther Mahlangu Learn about different artworks and techniques and processes used to create them. Use inspirations from famous artists and designers to create their own artwork. Reflect upon their work and the development of their own skills Express an opinion on the work of famous artists and designers	Nick Rowland - flick and drip art volcanoes Esther Mahlangu - African art
	Year 4 Turner Monet Hokusai Learn about different artworks and techniques and processes used to create them. Use inspirations from famous artists and designers to create their own artwork. Reflect upon their work and the development of their own skills Express an opinion on the work of famous artists and designers	Turner inspired paintings
	Year 5 Stepanova Matisse Learn more artists and name some work associated with them. Learn about different artworks and techniques and processes used to create them. Learn facts about their lives.	Stepanova inspired drawing/ collage/sculpture/collagraph - could use a similar design to explore the different techniques and media Matisse collages

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	Use inspirations from famous artists and designers to create their own artwork. Reflect upon their work and the development of their own skills	
	Express an opinion on the work of famous artists and designers	
	Make detailed observations on their artworks and designs.	
	Year 6	Brian Selznick inspired illustrations
	Brian Selznick	
	Banksy	
	Learn more artists and name some work associated with them.	
	Learn about different artworks and techniques and processes used to create	
	them.	
	Learn facts about their lives.	
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