

Art Report – July 2017

I met with Jackie Ford the Art Co-ordinator and also Jo Hopkins, and discussed the Art Curriculum, including the cross-curricular project covered over the past year. I also viewed a selection of Art books from each year group.

The children were able to explore many artistic techniques in their books, from experimenting in watercolour, acrylics and pastels to developing pencil-sketching skills in shading through observational drawings. The curriculum followed was the same as in previous years. It would be useful to see the date and WALT used more consistently throughout the year groups.

Some of the cross-curricular projects covered a wide range of topics, for instance in Year 3 and 4 a visit to the RSPB produced some stunning pieces of Art which could be seen in classroom displays and examples of which were put on the school's website. Year 5 worked on designs for the new Tranquillity Garden, which also included a visit to Chalice Well Gardens. Following their visit to London, Year 6 produced watercolour skylines and images of famous London landmarks.

Children's work has also been exhibited at the Red Brick Building and the Taunton Museum for their 'Take One' exhibition.

Jackie Ford also mentioned the after-school Batik Club.

Finally, there was a whole-school project to design and produce a beautiful quilt as a leaving gift for Mrs Caston, photos of which were posted on the website.

I am very impressed with the on-going artwork.

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