

CHEADLE PRIMARY SCHOOL

ARTS POLICY

Date: Jan 2010

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Responsibility: Performing Arts Co-ordinator

At our school we believe studying the Arts is vital to the development of pupils. Through the Arts children will develop all the senses and communicate emotions. They will nurture the ability to think and act creatively developing intelligence through a combination of means.

Aim

Our aim is to enable pupils to gain expertise and confidence, develop creativity through collaborative interaction and individual reflection and give the pupils the means to express themselves appropriately.

Objectives

- To develop an awareness and enthusiasm for the arts, particularly Art, Drama, Dance and Music.
- To link with other subjects particularly English, Physical Education and Design Technology and I.C.T.
- To provide rich experiences of the arts through participating and observing.
- To understand the process of planning, creating, presenting and evaluating.
- To develop intelligence and skills through a combination of emotional physical and cognitive means.
- To develop critical awareness of themselves and others.
- To provide opportunities to work with artists both in and outside school.
- To develop understanding and appreciation of different cultures through the arts.

Implementation

Through National Curriculum, Foundation Stage curriculum, Q.C.A. and School schemes of work.

Through developing links and continuing to work with external agencies and artists. Through planning of special arts or topic based weeks during the school year.

Through extra-curricular activities including lunchtime and after school clubs e.g. Music, Singing, Dance, Drama.

Continue and develop showcasing of arts activities in the school to visitors, outside agencies, other schools parent and pupils e.g. dance and music festivals.

Publicise arts events

Continue to set aside funding for artists in school and to investigate additional external funding for arts events.

Arts entitlement

All pupils should be given the opportunity to enjoy a variety of creative experiences and express themselves through art music, dance or drama.

All pupils will have an opportunity to visit a theatre or experience a theatrical production during their time at school

All children will have the opportunity to visit a gallery or art exhibition

All children will be given the opportunity to take part in school productions, concerts and dance performances.

All children will be given the opportunity to learn an instrument

All children will be given the opportunity to perform outside school at an arts event.

A strong and vibrant arts presence is essential to the soul, spirit and culture of a school and the full development of all its pupils - "Whither the arts?" - Gulbenkian Foundation 1995

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