

KS2: Class 3

Autumn Term 2026: Year 1 (of 2 year cycle):

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Art

Title of Art Unit	<u>Drawing with Charcoal</u>		
Description of Unit	Making loose, gestural drawings with charcoal, pencil and other media, capturing a sense of drama or performance.		
Timing	Autumn Term 1		
Disciplines	Drawing and sketchbooks		
Key artist(s)	Cave art, Heather Hansen, Laura McKendry, Edgar Degas		
Relevant prior learning (Note: delete rows if not appropriate to your Class)		<i>Prior learning</i>	<i>Teaching points/notes</i>
	EYFS	Children explored colour using a range of media.	
	Y1 (as above plus)	Sketchbooks regularly used from Y1 upwards. Some observational drawing using pencils. Children created a range of free artworks with collage.	
	Y2 (as above plus)	Observational drawings and Pencil control. Colour mixing, tone and shade.	
	Y3 (as above plus)	Children explored a range of other artists, comparing different techniques. Experience of using poster paint, water colours and oil pastels.	
Links to wider topic (if relevant)	Stone Age to Iron Age topic		
Enrichment opportunities (if relevant)			
Outdoor Learning (if relevant)	Opportunities to sketch in the Woods - weather dependent		
Equalities, Diversity and Inclusion	Ensure a diverse range of artists are studied.		
Assessment of learning	Regular discussion and retrieval of key vocabulary Opportunities for children to reflect on their own learning and peer assess / discuss each others' work Opportunities for children to discuss their work and ideas, motivations, reasoning behind		

	it with the class teacher.
Key Vocabulary	Medium / media, charcoal, gestural, Chiaroscuro, light, dark, contrast, line, shape, tone

Design & Technology

Aspect of DT	Electrical systems		
Focus	Circuits with light bulbs		
Timing	Autumn Term 2		
Product	Christmas toy with light - Christmas theme (Tree / Angel)		
User	Younger child in C1 or C2 (links to their topic on Toys)		
Purpose	To entertain them		
Key Practitioner	n/a		
Relevant prior learning (Note: delete rows if not appropriate to your Class)		<i>Prior learning</i>	<i>Teaching points/notes</i>
	EYFS	Junk modelling construction play	
	Y1 (as above plus)	Experience of using electrical toys with switches Construction toys to build towers	
	Y2 (as above plus)	Different materials, understanding property of strength	
	Y3 (as above plus)	Light (science). Materials and their properties, identifying materials for purpose - building a tower.	
	Y4 (as above plus)	Electricity in science - simple circuits and switches	This unit is planned to coincide with electricity in science
Investigative & Evaluative Activities	Explore a range of toys suitable for a lit up part Test different materials for strength to support a simple electrical system. Planning and evaluating the toy being fit for purpose.		
Focused Tasks	Construction of a self-supporting light- up toy. Simple electrical circuit with switch.		
Design, Make & Evaluate Activities	Develop appropriate design criteria. In small groups/pairs, children create their own plan and customise its appearance. Evaluate product against design criteria - incorporate opportunities for peer feedback.		
Links to wider topic / foundation subjects (if relevant)	Some links with previous work on forces in Science. Should support EYFS / KS1 topic on Toys in Autumn Term - audience and purpose.		

Enrichment opportunities (if relevant)	What does the light / AV industry use now? Link to local company in Abington.
Outdoor Learning (if relevant)	n/a
Equalities, Diversity and Inclusion (if relevant)	Look at Christmas celebrations in different cultures and the use of light.
Assessment of learning	Introduce key vocabulary - provide regular opportunities to recall / use in context. Formatively assess during Focused Tasks, adjusting support needed or providing extension ideas for main DMEA if appropriate. Encourage children to self-assess their own work against agreed design criteria. Feedback from users / peers about the product.
Key Vocabulary	electricity,, electrical circuit, component, cell, battery, positive, negative, connect/connections, crocodile clip, bulb, switch, conductor, insulator, metal, non-metal, beacon tower