



St Michael's CE Primary School

Art Progression in Vocabulary

2026-2027

Courage to Flourish in the Love of God

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	Drawing	Painting	Sculpture	Craft and Design
Nursery	Marks, Mark making, Scribble, Drawing, Pencil, Wax crayon, Chalk, Line, Circle, Picture	Paint, Paintbrush, Colours, Red, Yellow, Blue, Mix, Dab, Dot, Wet	Soft, Hard, Smooth, Rough, Join	Materials, Texture, Glue, Stick, Tape
Reception	Hard, Long, Rough, Short, Smooth, Soft, Straight, Thick, Thin, Wavy, Circle, Curved, Line, Squiggly, Zig zag, Chalk, Drawing, Felt tips, Marks, Wax crayons, Mark making, Observational, Pencils, Picture, Self-portrait, Artist, Colours, Observe, Oil pastel, Paint, Wax crayon	Dab, Dot, Shiny, Silky, Slimy, Slippery, Smooth, Squelchy, Sticky, Wet, Feathers, Flower buds, Grass, Leaves, Mix, Pine cones, Pattern, Texture, Twigs, Happy, Sad, Excited, Worried, Sleepy, Fast, Slow, Loud, Quiet, Transient, Collage, Fixed, Not fixed, Permanent, Temporary, Landscape, Rip, Tear, Cut, Stick, Flick, Glide, Splat, Splatter, Stroke, Swish, Wipe	Pinch, Roll, Slimy, Slippery, Smooth, Squash, Sticky, Stretch, Squelchy, Twist, Bend, Chop, Cut, Slice, Soft, 3D, Bark, Collage, Landscape, Leaves, Petals, Seed pods, Twigs, Clay, Design, Sculpture, Flatten, Join, Evaluate, Model, Plan, Reflect	
Year 1	Control, Curved, Dashed, Dotted, Line, Pressure, Straight, Wavy, Zig zag, Artist, Violin, Circle, Organic, Rectangle, Shape, Side, Square, Triangle, Abstract, Feature, Portrait, Sketch	Blend, Mix, Primary colours, Secondary colours, Kaleidoscope, Pattern, Shape, Space, Texture, Hue, Shade, Concentric circles, Design, Paint, Silhouette	Sculpture, Three-dimensional, Bend, Fold, Overlap, Roll, Spiral, Zig zag, Scrunch	
Year 2	Artist, Chalk, Charcoal, Crayon, Control, Graphite stick, Line, Mark making, Material, Pastel, Pressure, Shadow, Tone, Rubbing, Texture, Grip, Shading, Refine, Sketch, Shape, Organic, Outline, Detail, Evaluate	Mixing, Primary colour, Secondary colour, Texture, Collage, Overlap, Detail, Surface	Cut, Flatten, Roll, Shape, Smooth, Pinch pot, Slip, Score, Relief, Sculpture, Detail, Impress, Surface	
Year 3	Artist, Line, Shape, Organic, Geometric, Refine, Sketch, Blend, Grip, Shade, Even tones, Pressure, Tone, Mark making, Observational drawing, Texture, Observation, Pattern, Inspiration, Materials, Digital art, Product, Style, Illustrator, Purpose		Sculpture, Three-dimensional, Structure, Abstract, Sculptor, Found objects, Positive space, Negative space, Detail	Ancient, Colour, Egyptian, Papyrus, Pharaoh, Shape, Civilisation, Composition, Painting, Pattern, Sculpture, Tomb, Convey, Imagery, Scale, Design, Information, Scroll, Material, Process, Paper,

				Technique, Layout, Translate, Style, Audience, Images, Subject, Zine, Fold, Inform, Text
Year 4	Form, Observation, Organic, Shadow, Tone, Highlight, Observational drawing, Shading, Three-dimensional, Ballpoint pen, Pattern, Cross-hatching, Texture, Balanced, Proportion, Unbalanced, Exaggerated, Realistic, Composition, Collage, Focal point, Layer, Refine	Abstract, Figurative, Muted, Shade, Vivid, Detailed, Landscape, Patterned, Tint, Dabbing paint, Pointillism, Three-dimensional, Paint wash, Stippling paint, Composition, Proportion, Photorealism, Still life		Colour palette, Designer, Image, Imagination, Mood board, Texture, Design, Idea, Imagery, Inspiration, Rainforest, Theme, Composition, Mark making, Pattern, View, Develop, Materials, Viewfinder, Batik, Organic, Repeat, Fabric, Symmetrical, Elements, Surface pattern, Industry, Repeating pattern, Evaluate, Manufacture, Printing, Craftspeople, Factory
Year 5	Emotion, Observation, Expressive, Composition, Form, Background, Emphasise, Foreground, Middle ground, Refine, Tone, Depth, Focal point, Main subject, Proportion, Shading, Balanced, Print, Printing plate, Printmaking, Process	Background, Continuous line drawing, Portrait, Texture, Collage, Paint wash, Self-portrait, Composition, Monoprint, Transfer, Carbon paper, Mixed media, Printmaking, Evaluate, Justify, Multi-media, Research, Atmosphere, Photomontage, Art medi	Analyse, Display, Features, Location, Scale, Three-dimensional (3D), Annotate, Evaluate, Installation art, Mixed media, Special effects, Atmosphere, Props, Stencil, Installation, Performance art, Concept, Experience, Cultural revolution, Influence, Revolution, Elements, Issue, Senses, Interactive	
Year 6	Graffiti, Street art, Mural, Depth, One point perspective, Vanishing point, Horizon, Realism, Proportion, Scale		Artwork, Compare, Expression, Literal, Self, Attributes, Contrast, Identity, Memories, Symbolic, Assemblage, Juxtaposition, Relief, Three-dimensional, Composition, Manipulate, Sculpture, Abstract, Influence, Memory, Embedded, Inspiration, Object, Tradition, In-	Arrangement, Composition, Image, Photomontage, Cityscape, Dada, Layout, Macro, Monochrome, Monochromatic, Photography, Album, Colour, Digital, Emulate, Frame, Saturation, Appealing, Editing, Focus,

			process, Material, Reflection, Tools, Pitfall, Evaluation, Development, Experimentation	Replacement, Software, Famous, Painting, Pose, Recreate, Photograph, Prop, Grid, Observation, Photorealistic, Proportion, Selfie, Large scale, Photorealism, Portrait, Scale, Self-portrait
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