At Barnston Primary School, we believe that art is a vital part of a child's education, providing opportunities for creativity and self-expression. Our art curriculum is carefully designed to expose students to a variety of artistic paradigms and forms. Our lessons are structured in an 'investigate, explore, and create' format, where students first investigate a range of artists, architects, craft-makers, and designers from different backgrounds and cultures. In the explore phase, we explicitly teach skills that enable students to produce convergent outcomes, providing a foundation for their artistic endeavours. Finally, in the create phase, students use the skills they have learned to produce a unique and divergent end piece. We believe that our art curriculum provides a rich and engaging learning experience that fosters creativity, self-expression, and cultural awareness in our students.

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| Term | F2 | Year 1/2 | Year 3/4 | Year 5/6 |
| Curriculum Map – Autumn Term | | | |
| Autumn | Painting and mixed media - Contemporary  Start with a dot – Kandinsky (artist) | Drawing - Modern    Sculpture drawing- Brian Thomas Jones (Sculptor) and Kandinsky (Artist) | Drawing and Mixed Media - Contemporary  Friendship – Joan Eardley (Artist) | Drawing - Traditional  Victorian Cutlery – Jim Dine (Artist) and Paul de Lamerie (Silversmith/craft maker) |
|  | Curriculum Map – Spring Term | | | |
| Spring | Drawing - Modern  Me | Painting and Mixed Media - Contemporary  Flowers – Eileen Agar (Mixed Media Artist) Pablo Picasso (Artist) | Painting - Traditional  Still Life at home – Matisse (Artist) | Drawing - Traditional  Botanical Art – William Morris (Designer) |
|  | Curriculum Map – Summer Term | | | |
| Summer | Drawing, painting and mixed media - Traditional  The natural world | Textiles - Traditional  Worry Dolls – Guatemalan Craft Makers and Zandra Rhodes (designer) | Textiles and Mixed Media - Modern  Wire Animals - Kendra Haste (Sculpture) and Helena Sharpley (Craft maker) | Pattern and Mixed Media - Modern  Tessellating pattern – M C Escher (Graphic Artist) |