

2025 The theme for this Art's Week was global issues and global art/artists. Art Enrichment Week looking at art from around the world including art from Africa, Japan, New Zealand, Mexico and the UK. The classes have done: jelly fish art; a Ghanaian Kente Cloth, Modroc pumpkins, paper weaving and made sculptures. Hedgehog (EYFS): explored paper sculptures, done their jellyfish art, completed bubble wrap jellyfish art. They looked at Yayoi Kusama and her polka dot art. – Squirrel (Year 1/2): jellyfish art, used paper to weave patterns. drew patterns onto their weaved pictures and researched and wrote about Ghanaian Kente cloth. – Fox (Year 3/4): Japanese inspired art, ModRoc not going to plan! Comments from Art Governor on their visit- I was blown away by the children's knowledge of famous artists in Early Years – even remembering their names without prompts. - The children had a wonderful perspective on art and that there is no right or wrong; no correct or incorrect way to interpret what they see. - All children seemed happy to investigate the brief in their own way and allow their own creativity to flow



2024 We were delighted that as part of our Art programme and PSHE focus this year we joined OxTrail - Oxfordshire's first ever sculpture trail, raising funds for Sobell House Hospice. We joined 86 other schools across the county to create our own fantastic mini ox. All of these mini oxen have been joined in local herds in publicly accessible buildings for the eight weeks for visitors to admire – ours is currently on display in Thame Library – do go and visit if you can. In addition, there are over 30 life-sized ox sculptures throughout Oxford in the summer. Each of the oxen has been uniquely decorated by local and international artists to form a vibrant and family-friendly trail.

Not only did we enhance our art skills in a unique way and joined in a county wide project, we were fundraising for a local very worthwhile cause - Sobell House. Once again, despite being a small school, Aston Rowant School excelled and despite fierce competition from the other 86 schools **we won the Oxley competition** – our reward a visit from the famous ox himself.

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Hundertwasser whole school

See pupil voice document for 2024

Art Enrichment Week **2023**

Hedgehog concentric circles flowers inspired by Kandinsky

Squirrel Mister Seahorse by Eric Carle focusing on colour and pattern

Fox Insect observational drawings with line, shade, and adding colour with pencils and water colours

Owl Flowers shapes and tones. colour, and we used watercolours to paint the backgrounds or coloured pencil for the background, shading and cross-hatching to produce the same effect. Using gouache which has a bolder, flatter colour laydown, more like acrylics or oils.

Art Enrichment Week 2022.

What a privilege it was to see the art work created by every member of our school community on display this afternoon. What inspires us in nature. Each child created their own pieces of work which was framed. They chose the price to sell it at! The effort that went into each and every picture was inspiring and the quality of the work that they produced as a result was breath taking. The PTA for their work framing the pictures and organising the exhibition. It was a joy to welcome our families in school again to celebrate the Aston Rowant Royal Academy of Arts!