

## Expressive Art and Design

To creating an environment that promotes discovery and exploration through a variety of ways. Through play and active learning in exciting and a carefully constructed environment, children have the opportunity to make meaningful connections, develop skills and develop a deep level of understanding the world by using resources, people, opportunities and experiences.

Our environment and relationships will help the children: -

- Experiment, explore and investigate creative media
- Show pride in their own work and creations
- Learn to plan, then execute their ideas
- Use their senses to explore different aspects of the world
- Use their imagination to mirror, create and rehearse
- Express their own ideas and thoughts through different ranges of creative media

It is through creative, dramatic, exploratory, imaginary, object, role, rough & tumble, social and symbolic play that children begin to understand how the world works and to make meaning and connections for themselves. We do this by providing a variety of opportunities, experiences, provocations and invitations which include music, movement, dance, art, craft, technology, nature, the outside world, construction, small world, sand, water, role play, book and rhymes. We tune into the children's interests and support their further development (cultural capital) providing the children with experiences they may not have on the outside world. We encourage children to try new experiences and begin to form opinions about what they like and don't like. We encourage the children to have their own ideas and carry out their plans and to help them solve problems. We do our 'Wake and Shake' in the morning in which the children learn a dance routine. The children have access to different creative materials and under supervision use the tablet and laptop to play educational games and watch small educational videos.