

VISUAL ARTS

PREP-YEAR THREE

Stories, Symbols and Creatures is a process-based Visual Arts unit that invites students to explore how artists communicate ideas, stories & identity through animals, symbols, patterns, clothing & creative expression. Inspired by connections to Ancient Rome and supported by contemporary & historical artists, students investigate the animals of the Colosseum, Roman patterns & decoration, wearable art, symbols & visual storytelling. Through observation, experimentation, discussion & reflection, students engage in open-ended art experiences that encourage curiosity, creative thinking & personal choice. Rather than focusing on a predetermined final product, students develop skills & understanding by exploring materials, generating ideas & discovering how art can be used to communicate meaning across different cultures & time periods.

YEARS FOUR - SIX

This term, our Year 4–6 students will explore the unit of Mixed Media Explorations: Textiles, Culture and Creative Expression. Students will experiment with a variety of artistic techniques including drawing, painting, weaving, sewing, collage and textile art while learning about artists, cultures and creative traditions from around the world. This includes looking deeper into various Italian-Venetian art styles and artists to create their own individual artwork.

Throughout the term, students will develop their creativity by creating a range of mixed media artworks and exploring the Elements and Principles of Art, including line, colour, shape, texture, pattern, form and balance. They will build confidence in planning, creating and reflecting on their artworks while expressing their own ideas and imagination.