CURRICULUM Goal: Expressive Art and Design

In their Expressive Arts and Design our intention is for children to learn to:

- be confident to take part in imaginative play including singing songs and telling stories
- enjoy singing a range of nursery rhymes with their peers
- be able to use movement and sounds to express ideas and feelings
- to confidently explore a range of materials to support their developing ideas
- to begin to use tools appropriately

We intend to nurture and develop the skills and creativity that our children bring to nursery.

About Goodway

Goodway Nursery School is located in the Perry Barr district of Birmingham. The level of deprivation is growing in our district, we see a rise in families accessing free school meals and a drop in families able to access 30 hour funding. This limits the wider experiences of our children, such as going to play groups, buying resources to do arts and crafts at home, accessing music groups. Our children come to school with a range of 'cultural awareness and cultural capital' as well as a range of experience in arts and design.

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The development of children's artistic and cultural awareness supports their imagination and creativity. It is important that children have regular opportunities to engage with the arts, enabling them to explore and play with a wide range of media and materials. The quality and variety of what children see, hear and participate in is crucial for developing their understanding, self-expression, vocabulary and ability to communicate through the arts. The frequency, repetition and depth of their experiences are fundamental to their progress in interpreting and appreciating what they hear, respond to and observe.

First Milestone- What we would like our children to know	Second Milestone- What we would like our children to	Third Milestone- What we would like our children to know
and be able to do by the end of Daisies. (Aged 2-3)	know and do throughout Sunflowers. (Aged 3-4)	and be able to do by the end of the Sunflowers. (Aged 4-5)
Creating with Materials	Creating with Materials	Creating with Materials
Begin to demonstrate an emerging preference for a	Explore colour and colour mixing.	Uses resources to create props.
dominant hand.	Explore different materials freely, to develop their ideas	Explore colour and colour mixing.
Joins in singing songs.	about how to use them and what to make.	Use drawing to represent ideas like movement or loud
Creates sounds by rubbing, shaking, tapping, striking or	Use drawing to represent ideas like movement or loud	noises.
blowing.	noise.	Draw with increasing complexity and detail, such as
Shows an interest in the way sound makers and	Create closed shapes with continuous lines and begin to	representing a face with a circle and including detail.
instruments sound and experiment with ways of playing	use these shapes to represent objects.	Develop their own ideas and then decide which materials to
them.		use to express them.
		Join different materials and explore different textures.
Being Imaginative and Expressive	Being Imaginative and Expressive	Being Imaginative and Expressive
Creates sound effect and movements.	Listens with increased attention to sounds.	Explores how sound and movement can be changed.
Enjoys joining in with moving, dancing and ring games.	Play instruments with increasing control to express their	Develop an understanding of how to create sounds using
Begins to make believe by pretending using sounds,	feelings and ideas.	tools for a purpose.
movements, words and objects.	Take part in simple pretend play, using an objects to	Engage in imaginative play.
Beginning to describe sound and music imaginatively.	represent something else even though they are not	Remember and sing entire songs.
Begin to sing the melodic shape (moving melody, such as up	similar.	Create their own songs or improvise a song around one
and down, down and up) of familiar songs.	Creates rhythmic sounds and movements.	they know.

	Uses movement and sound to express experiences, expertise, ideas and feelings.	
What does this look like?	What does this look like?	What does this look like?
Children use arts and crafts resources with the help of their key worker. Children begin to learn daily routine songs and by the end of the year, will have built up a small repertoire of known songs.	Children begin to use the nursery resources to be creative, using prompts to help. Children can concentrate and begin to join in with circle games and songs. They learn and begin to enjoy repeating known songs and games.	MeasureChildren are independent in their choices, can find and use the resources they need when being artistic. They sometimes make things to use in their play. Children join in readily with singing and circle games that they have learnt at nursery.

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