**Aboriginal Art**

***Explanation of unit…***

Linked to the Geography topic about Australia, pupils will explore Indigenous Australian art. They will develop their art skills while learning about a range of different Indigenous Australian painting techniques and styles, including dot painting and cross-hatching. They then use these techniques to decorate a variety of Indigenous Australian artefacts, such as boomerangs and rainsticks

**Year 2**

**Spring**

**Art**

**Background information**

In this unit of work, pupils will be introduced to the technique of cross hatching. They will use line and colour to create pictures inspired by Indigenous Dreamtime Stories. They will explore how symbols can be used to retell stories using Australian Aboriginal symbols. Children will learn how to use the indigenous dot style of painting and use this technique to create paintings inspired by ‘The Rainbow Serpent.’ Pupils will use the techniques they have explored during the unit to make a rainstick.

**Knowledge and Understanding**

In this unit pupils will learn…

* the role of art in indigenous cultures
* to use different techniques such as cross hatching and dot painting
* how symbols can be used to retell stories
* how to apply the techniques they have explored to create a rainstick

**Key Vocabulary**

* cross-hatching
* technique
* symbol
* naturalistic style
* Indigenous
* rainstick

**Enquiry skills and Key concepts**

In this unit pupils will…

* learn how art is used in different cultures around the world
* use cross hatching
* use paint to create dot patterns in the style of indigenous art