Notes for parents / carers:

The art plans are to provide children with ideas and activities that are based on looking at the work of different artists for inspiration. This will broaden their creative and artistic skills, allow them to form an opinion on the works of different artists and give them the opportunity to discuss their work and ideas with you.

We understand that some resources may not be readily available at home so we therefore encourage you to be creative. All the activities can be completed in any medium including pen, pencil, felt-tip, crayon, pastel, paint etc. Newspaper, shoeboxes, envelopes and the inside of grocery boxes can also be used to draw on. Each week's activities will include a list of artists that we suggest you google with your child / children. This will give them inspiration and direct them to the style of the task. It would also be really helpful if you choose to discuss some of the artist's work with your child as you can draw their attention to specific details that they might like to include.

Encourage your child to keep adding detail and encourage their attempts. Each week will have more than one activity for your child to choose from. This applies to any age and ability and they can complete as many as they like. Please can your child keep two favourite pieces of work to bring back to school and share with their class when we eventually return to school (we know that you won't necessarily have space to keep everything).

Week 8: This week's art theme is: Around the world (all year groups)

Key skills: Research in to an artist

This week we would like you to produce a research sheet on the work of artists from around the world. We have six artists for you, it is up to you if you decide to focus on one of the artists or look at all six.

What is research?

Research is a way of gaining a greater knowledge of a subject by looking at different books, websites, documentaries or talking to people.

What do we need to know?

Think about what you would like to know about the Artist: when they were born, the style of work they produced, famous pieces, random fun facts.

Try and make your research poster look as bright and visual as possible: use drawings, different styles of writing, printed pictures, maybe even create your own version of a famous picture of theirs.

The following famous artists have inspired and enriched the world of art, and their work will always hold a place in history. Just as every one of us has our own culture and our own story, so do each of these famous artists.

- *PABLO PICASSO (Spain)
- *VINCENT VAN GOGH (Netherlands)
- *CLAUDE MONET (France)
- *ANDY WARHOL (America)
- *FRIDA KAHLO (Mexico)
- *YAYOI KUSAMA (Japan)

Remember to upload your work to Dojo so your teachers can see your wonderful creations.

Rainbow trail-Loughton: This is an organised activity where children are encouraged to draw a picture according to a theme and place it in a window so that families can spot them while going on their daily walks. It was set up to show our thanks to NHS workers. This week's theme is **care workers**.