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Dear Parents / Carers



**24th – 28th June 2024**

We are very excited to be holding an Arts Week during our Summer term. We have some fantastic events and visitors booked in, and the theme of this focus week will be

**Off to See a World of Art**

*Arts Week is all about learning about different artists around the world, and to celebrate the richness and diversity of culture and creativity.*

**Visiting Artists**

We are pleased to announce that we have Darrell Wakelam who will both be spending time with the children and inspiring them to make a collaborative piece of art work.

We will also have 5 artists from Steyning Arts who will be coming into school to work with the children. They will be sharing their own art and explaining how colour, shape and texture inspires them. The children will then explore the creation of art using this new knowledge.

Our five Steyning Artists are listed below – why not have a look at their work on their websites/Instagram accounts:

Lisa Woolcott Wet Felting [www.lisawoolcottfeltart.com](http://www.lisawoolcottfeltart.com)

Jenny Wightwick Ceramic Pots jwceramics.net

Greta Meeten Sewing Instagram: @this\_is\_a\_gem

Melissa Birch Lino Printing [www.melissabirch.co.uk](http://www.melissabirch.co.uk)

Yoneko Shiraishi Japanese Crafts [www.yoneblogger.com](http://www.yoneblogger.com)

**Artists and Architects**

During the week we will be learning about the work of the following:

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| **Class** | **Year Group** | **Subject Matter** | **Country** |
| Mrs Quigley &Mrs Taylor | Reception | **Artist** | Alma Woodsey | USA |
| **Artist** | Jeremy Sicile - Kira | France |
| **Architect** | Friedensreich Hundertwasser | Austria |
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| Mrs Gilpin | Years 1&2 | **Artist** | Mariajose Gajate Molina | Spain |
| **Artist** | Jeremy Sicile - Kira | France |
| **Sculptor** | Antony Gormley | UK |
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| Miss Whyte | Years 1&2 | **Artist** | Budi Satria Kwan | Indonesia |
| **Artist** | Jeremy Sicile - Kira | France |
| **Sculptor** | Antony Gormley | UK |
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| Mrs Duguid | Years 1&2 | **Artist**  | Lisa Congdon | USA |
| **Artist** | Jeremy Sicile - Kira | France |
| **Sculptor** | Antony Gormley | UK |
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| Mrs Stringer | Years 3&4 | **Artist**  | Romero Britto | Brazil |
| **Artist** | Jeremy Sicile - Kira | France |
| **Architect** | Zaha Hadid | Iraq (Lived USA) |
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| Miss Underdown | Years 3&4 | **Artist** | Raven McDonough | USA |
| **Artist** | Jeremy Sicile - Kira | France |
| **Architect** | Zaha Hadid | Iraq (Lived USA) |
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| Mr Marsh  | Years 3&4 | **Artist**  | Chidi Okoye | Africa (Continent) |
| **Artist** | Jeremy Sicile - Kira | France |
| **Architect** | Zaha Hadid | Iraq (Lived USA) |
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| Mr Jones | Years 5&6 | **Artist**  | Chen Yingjie | China |
| **Artist** | Jeremy Sicile - Kira | France |
| **Architect** | Zaha Hadid | Iraq (Lived USA) |
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| Mr Long | Years 5&6 | **Artist** | Sandra Silberzweig | Canada |
| **Artist** | Jeremy Sicile - Kira | France |
| **Architect** | Zaha Hadid | Iraq (Lived USA) |
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| Mr Moule | Years 5&6  | **Artist** | Raewyn Harris | New Zealand |
| **Artist** | Jeremy Sicile - Kira | France |
| **Architect** | Zaha Hadid | Iraq (Lived USA) |
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**Creative Breakfast**

You are invited into school to be part of our ‘Community Art Display’. Parents and children are invited to come into school on **Tuesday 25th June** at 8:15am to weave a circle. So why are we decorating circles? *A****circle****is the perfect representation of completeness. It is a never-ending line, balanced, and often a symbol of unity, infinity and eternity within works of art.*

There will be a variety of wool, yarn and ribbons to explore and use. If you are unable to attend the creative breakfast, you can create your circle at home and send it in. Please collect a cardboard circle from the school office if you would like to do this. For those who can attend we will provide a pastry and some juice! We can’t wait to see everyone’s creative flair in action and your completed works of art! All the circles will then become part of a wonderful display at

school celebrating unity! **Please complete the Google form (link below) if you are able to come to the creative breakfast so we can cater accordingly.**

<https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSf6Cl2sE6-tmDYfOCAlr_OUwoFUXEMWMpCYEaxJnX09dwxRKA/viewform?vc=0&c=0&w=1&flr=0>

**Bicycle Wheels & Wool**

Another exciting project the children will be involved in will be weaving into wheels. **For this creation we will require wool, ribbon, yarn, beads and old bicycle (or pram) wheels with spokes, so please could you donate any you may have (clean ones please!!).** Please hand into the office or direct to Mrs Taylor, your support is much appreciated.



**Carnival Procession**

We will end the week with a fabulous Carnival procession. The procession will be led by the Steyning Grammar School Samba Band. We will be singing a variety of songs as a whole school to end our celebrations.

**Competition**

Please see the separate letter giving information about an exciting competition we will be running to accompany Arts Week. Closing date is 28th June for entries.

**Thank you FUBS**

We are very grateful to FUBS who have helped to fund this amazing week, allowing us to have such a great selection of visitors and events, and making it so exciting for the children.

We would also be very grateful for any contributions from parents towards the costs of this week. Please could we suggest £3 per child (as a minimum - you are welcome to contribute more if you would like to or are able to), payable via sQuid.

Thank you for your continued support.

Yours sincerely,

Dee Taylor

Art, Design and Technology Leader