Autumn Year 3 Art Knowledge Organiser Sculpture & 3D Abstract Shape and Space

Subject specific Vocabulary		Images/Diagrams/Maps	Important Knowledge
Abstract	Art that doesn't try to look like real life	Abstract Figurative	Artists use shapes and space to
	— it uses shapes, colours or textures to show ideas.		create interesting sculptures. Positive space is the object itself,
Balance	Making sure a sculpture can stand up without falling over — keeping it steady.		while <i>negative space</i> is the empty space around and between parts of the sculpture.
Found objects	Everyday things (like boxes, buttons or bottles) used to make a piece of art.		Ruth Asawa used wire to create sculptures that explored negative
Form	The overall shape of a 3D object, including curves, edges and space.	Positive space Negative space	space and floating forms. Sculptures can be abstract or figurative.
Negative space	The overall shape of a 3D object, including curves, edges and space.		Abstract art uses shapes and forms that don't look like real life.
Positive space	The parts of the sculpture or shape that you can see or touch.	Writing/Provision/	Figurative art shows things we can recognise, like people or animals. Anthony Caro made abstract
Sculptor	A person who creates sculptures using different materials.	Enrichment opportunities Visit a local environment (EYFS) to investigate	sculptures using scrap metal and bold colours. Joining techniques help build and
Sculpture	A piece of art that is three-dimensional and can be looked at from all sides.	shapes in playground equipment to inspire abstract art.	balance 3D sculptures. You can slot, tie, twist, wrap, or use tabs to join pieces together securely.
Structure	Something that has been built or put together and can stand by itself.	Instructional Writing Children write a set of step-by-step instructions for how to create their own 3D abstract sculpture using card. They must include joining techniques (e.g. slot, tab, wrap), shaping	Sculptors plan and display their artwork carefully. They think about how people will view their work from different angles and make creative choices about shape,
Three- dimensional	A shape or object that has height, width, and depth — not flat like a drawing.	techniques (e.g. roll, fold, concertina), and vocabulary like positive space, form, and balance.	balance, and colour.

Presentation	Assessment			
	To join 2D shapes to make 3D structures.	Being able to try out different ways to make card shapes three-dimensional, for example, folding and curving the card or joining the flat shapes together; making a structure that holds its 3D shape; being able to explain in simple terms the difference between 2D and 3D art.	Confidently trying out their own techniques for shaping or joining the card; creating an interesting structure that stands by itself; explaining what sculpture is using their own work or experience to add detail to the definition.	
	To join materials in different ways when working in 3D.	Being able to try out different ways to make card shapes three dimensional, for example, folding and curving the card or joining the flat shapes together; combining shapes together to make a free-standing sculpture; trying out more than one way to create joins between shapes.	Showing independence when problem-solving as they work; trying several ways of joining shapes and deciding which works best in each case; creating a sculpture that balances and stands by itself.	
	To develop ideas for 3D artwork.	Being able to identify familiar 2D shapes in photographs; being able to identify shapes in the negative space between objects and drawing the cardboard model from different angles, focusing on shapes in the positive and negative space to achieve an abstract effect; planning an abstract sculpture based on play equipment.	Confidently identifying 2D shapes in the positive and negative space in a photo of something 3D; experimenting with drawing the shapes they can see when looking at the cardboard model and completing all three of the drawing challenges, showing they are considering how the shapes are arranged to achieve interesting effects; planning an achievable abstract sculpture clearly inspired by play equipment.	
	To apply knowledge of sculpture when working in 3D.	Showing that they have learned how to shape materials in more than one way (for example, by folding and rolling them); choosing appropriate methods for joining elements in their sculptures; combining shapes together to make an interesting free-standing sculpture.	Showing increased confidence when using a	
	To evaluate and improve an artwork.	Showing that they have thought about how to improve their sculptures and made choices about what to add; being able to work cooperatively in pairs to add detail to their artwork.	Being able to discuss their ideas about how they are changing their sculptures, explaining why they believe it will improve the overall effect; being able to work cooperatively in pairs to add detail to their artwork, and combining both partner's ideas to good effect.	