Essential Materials

A suggestion of materials needed for a successful art project

**Before you begin**

* + Sketchbook
  + Folder or binder for spare notes
  + Decently sized pencil case
  + Palette/ disposable plate for mixing paint
  + An old jar or cup with water to rise paintbrushes
  + An apron

**Optional**

* + Large plastic bag for transporting work on rainy days
  + Car for transporting heavy art work
  + Locker to store art work in

**Equipment**

* + Professional rubber/eraser
  + Large scissors (at home)
  + Craft knife
  + PVA glue, super glue and a glue-stick
  + Wide and narrow paintbrushes
  + 30 cm ruler, sharpener, small scissors, hole puncher and other school basics

**Paints**

* + Acrylics
  + Watercolours
  + Oil paint
  + Poster paint

**Pens**

* + Black, blue and red biro pens
  + White ballpoint pen or tippex (for dark surfaces)
  + Felt tips
  + Ink or fountain pen
  + Fine liner
  + Gel pens

**Pencils**

* + Large graphite and charcoal sticks
  + Graded graphite pencils (graded 6H to 6B)
  + Watercolour pencils
  + Colour pencils (including various shades, black and white)

**Additional materials**

* + Wax crayons
  + Pastels
  + Chalk
  + A camera (for exciting photos)

**Collage**

* + A box/ basket for collage materials
  + Access to clay and other sculpting materials
  + Cardboard
  + Wrapping paper
  + Good quality plain paper
  + String
  + Wool
  + Wire
  + Sewing materials

**Last but not least...**

* + Confidence in your work
  + Imagination
  + Time, commitment and patience
  + Assurance when acknowledging (but keeping) mistakes
  + A patient, helpful, approachable teacher ready to give you reliable advice about techniques, the quality of your work and the mark scheme