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Dear Parents/Carers,

I am delighted to inform you that Meole Brace C of E Primary School and Nursery has been awarded the prestigious **Artsmark Gold Award.**

The Artsmark Award is the only creative quality standard for schools, accredited by Arts Council England. It supports schools to develop and celebrate arts and cultural education, putting creativity and wellbeing at the heart of the curriculum.

In order to achieve the Artsmark Award, we had to develop our arts and culture provision to embed a broad and ambitious curriculum across the school. This is a fantastic testimony to the hard work and commitment of our dedicated teaching staff team and to each of the children. I would like to thank them all, along with Mrs Turner, our Art and Design Subject Leader, and her predecessor in the role, Miss Robson, for leading us through the process over the past 3 years.

The Artsmark assessor commended that: "You have every reason to be proud of your work and all that you have achieved as part of this Artsmark journey, wow! The most striking feature of this journey has been the impact the arts have made on children's outcomes and on staff's confidence. Your work has focused on developing art, dance and music... You have redesigned the art curriculum to include the study of a diverse range of artists... Through meeting professional actors, artists, musicians, opera singers, circus performers and dancers, children have developed their knowledge of job opportunities in the arts and creative industries."

I am sure that you will join us in being extremely proud of achieving our Artsmark Gold Award; we are committed to the arts and look forward to continuing to grow further through our working partnership with Artsmark. This is representative of our school vision of "Let your light shine" and our overarching commitment to ensuring that our children develop the skills and curiosity to become lifelong learners through community, respect and perseverance.

Yours sincerely,

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Mr. H. Bray Headteacher







Headteacher: Mr. Henry Bray
Deputy Headteacher: Mrs Hayley Lakin





Community Respect Perseverance