# Subject Department: Visual Arts

#### **Our Mission**

To optimize the opportunities for students to develop their potential for exploring things to the full so as to broaden their views, stimulate their minds and touch their hearts. It is also our mission to equip the pupils with the abilities to express their own ideas by using various visual media or techniques.

#### Rationale

- 1. In this modern world, education is not considered as knowledge transmission only but also the development of the ability to learn.
- 2. Art education contributes significantly to the development of generic skills, values and attitudes. It has been identified as the key to the all-round development of the whole person. Knowledge and skills are of equal importance in the study of Visual Arts. They complement each other and therefore should be studied as a whole.
- 3. The role of art teacher has been changed from the center to a coach and facilitator. They should encourage students to learn how to learn and actively participates in art creation.

### Long-term Plan

- 1. To develop an artistic atmosphere in school and devise the school-based curriculum.
- 2. Facilitate life-wide learning in art, i.e. organizing Artists-in-Schools program, visits to galleries, museums and exhibitions. Community resources will be fully utilized for the development of art education.
- 3. Learn how to learn and be a life-long learner.
- 4. Incorporate the computer graphics and digital video editing in the art and design curriculum.
- 5. Be equipped with various necessary skills for quality teaching in art education, e.g. IT skills.

## Main Emphases in 2014/15

- 1. To develop the concept that Art is life and to relate learning tasks to the daily experience of students.
- 2. To equip our students with adequate knowledge and good learning skills in Visual Arts.
- 3. To nurture students' positive values and attitudes.