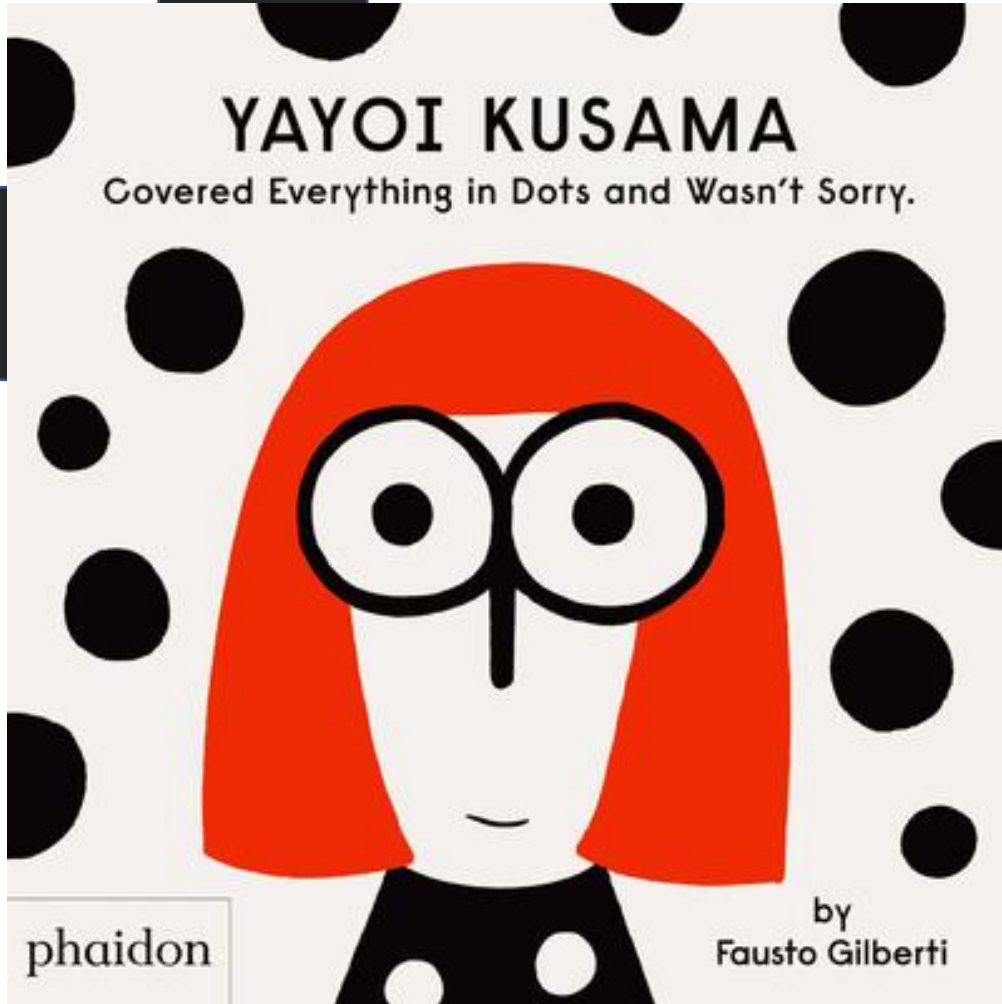


Japanese cultural day in the Art, Craft and Design department Primary and Secondary



Who is she?

Yayoi Kusama is a **Japanese artist** who is sometimes called 'the princess of polka dots'. Although she makes lots of **different types of art – paintings, sculptures, performances and installations** – they have one thing in common, **DOTS**

What's with all the dots?

Yayoi Kusama tells the story of how when she was a little girl she had a **hallucination** that freaked her out. She was in a field of flowers when they all started talking to her! The heads of flowers were like dots that went on as far as she could see, and she felt as if she was disappearing or as she calls it 'self-obliterating' – into this field of endless dots. This **weird** experience influenced most of her later work.

“ Hello....how
are you?
....what's your
name?.....”





She uses mirrors
to make her
INFINITY ROOMS,
where the dots
are never ending



Her work has
inspired
fashion
designers



Yayoi loves pumpkins!.....

... pumpkins! I've always loved pumpkins, with their beautiful shape and sweetness. And I want to show all the love I feel for them through my art. I also like to cover them in—you guessed it—dots!

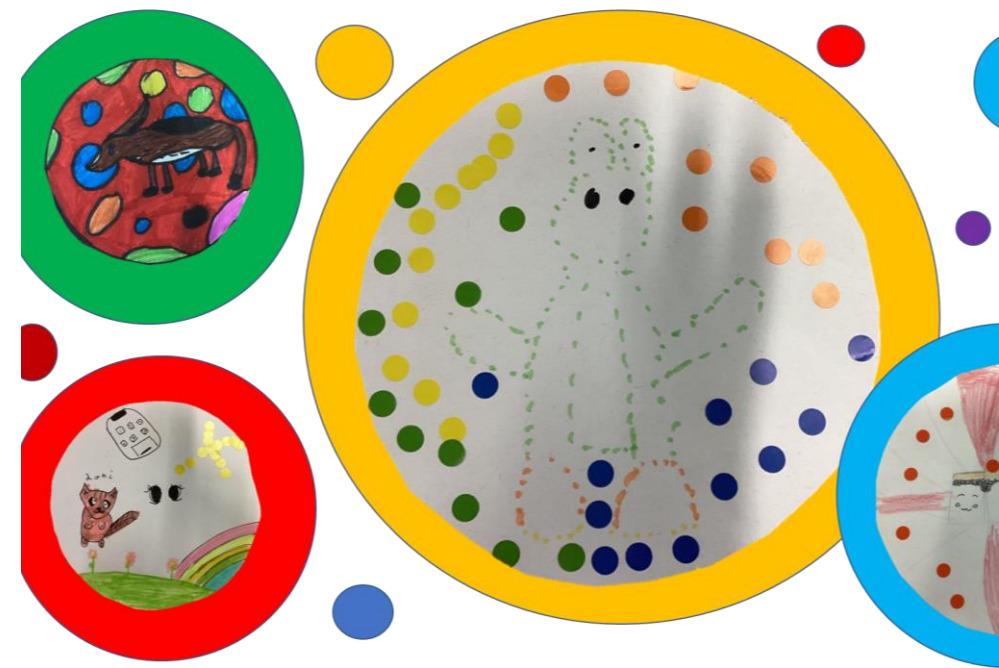
You won't believe it, but I picked up a pumpkin when I was a child and it talked to me!

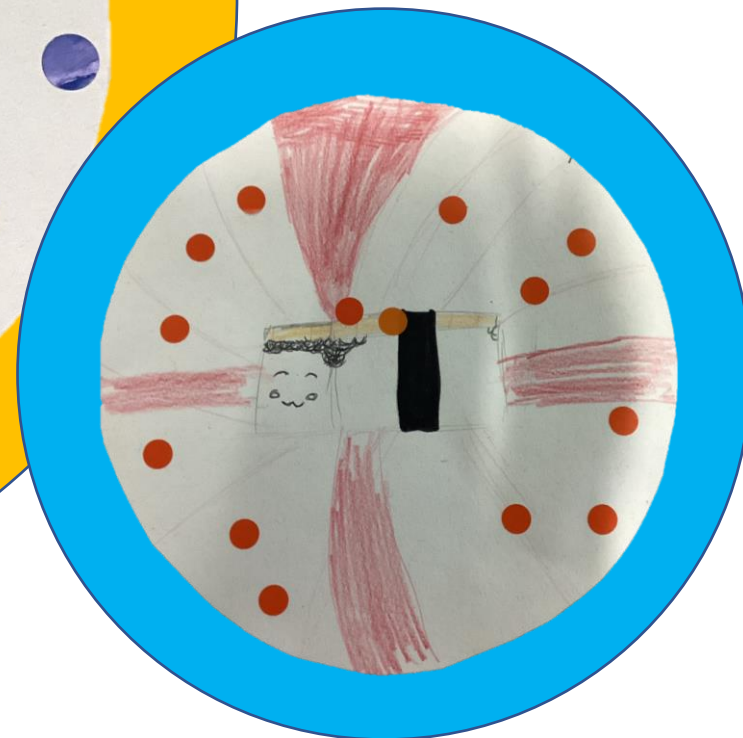
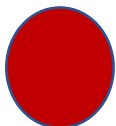
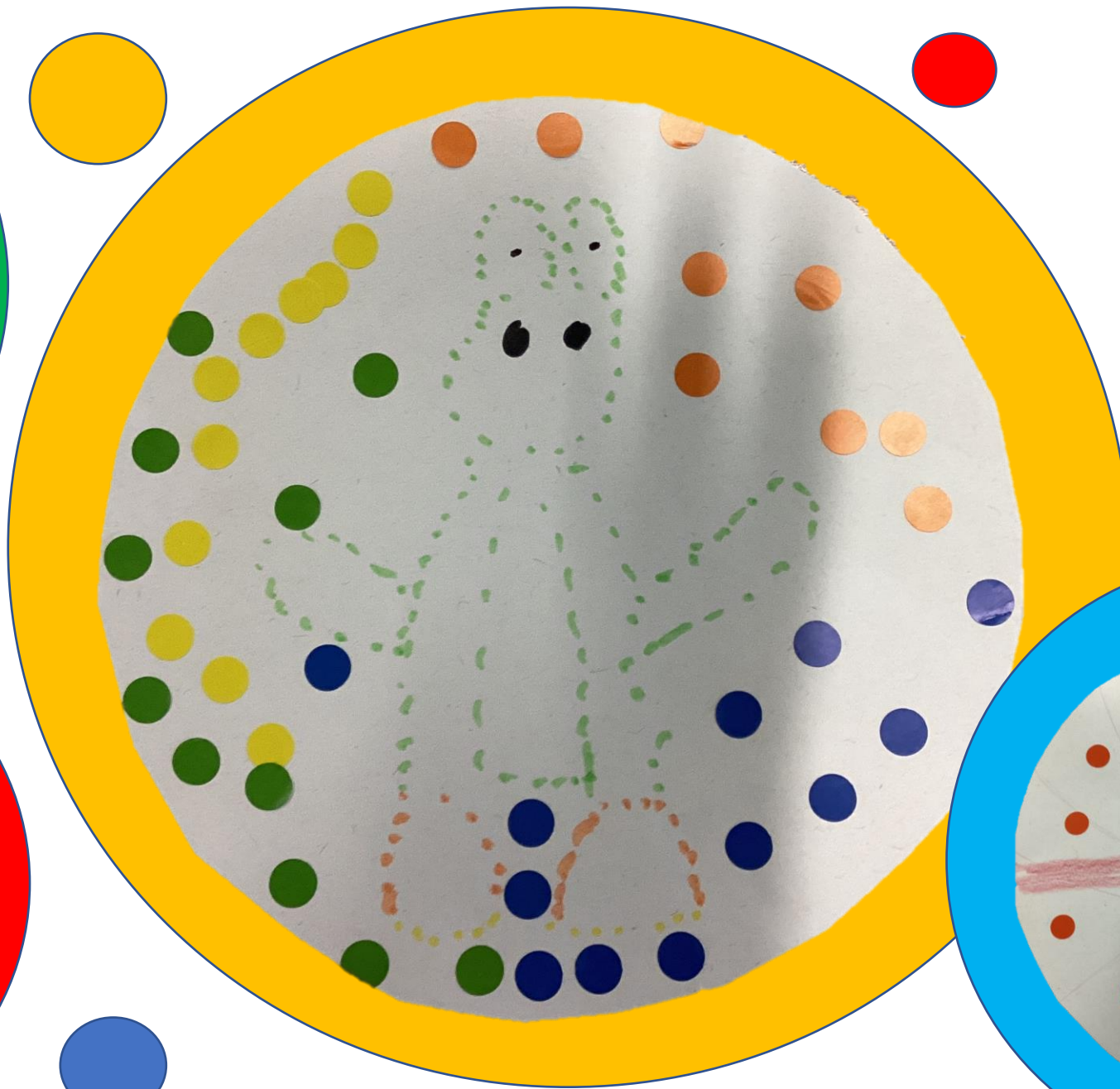
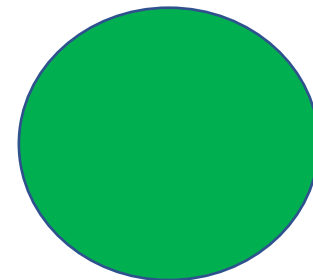
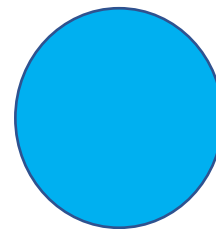
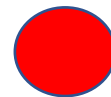
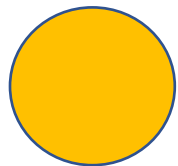
My artworks have become really famous and you can now see them in many different art galleries and museums around the world. My dream has come true!



Create your own circle about Japanese culture or create a Yayoi inspired personal interest circle!









Some of the
examples
made on the
Japanese
Cultural day

