



ST. PETER'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

CURRICULUM INTENT, IMPLEMENTATION AND IMPACT STATEMENT

## ART AND DESIGN

### INTENT

It is our intent to provide pupils with a high-quality art curriculum, which develops creativity, sets challenges, engages and inspires children and equips them with the knowledge and skills to experiment, invent and create their own works of art, craft and design.

We see Art and Design as a vehicle for creativity and individual expression. It is important to the development of pupils' well-being, appreciation of the world and understanding and empathy of others. We aim to give all children the confidence to express themselves through a range of chosen mediums. Our curriculum provides children with an opportunity to experience all art forms: drawing/mark-making, painting, sculpture, collage, textiles and printmaking, and pupils are encouraged to experiment with a range of different materials and techniques to bring their ideas to life. Opportunities to practise art and design techniques when using colour, pattern, texture, line, shape, form and space are embedded across the Art and Design curriculum using individual sketchbooks.

We want our children to know how Art & Design has contributed to our culture and understanding of our history and the world. They explore a variety of artists and their styles, which is enhanced with visits to galleries. Our children will focus on a variety of key artists and they will begin to understand the development of their particular art forms. The children will have opportunities to take inspiration from these key artists and create their own artworks in their particular styles. Children are given the opportunity within lessons to work on their own and collaborate with others, on projects in two and three dimensions and on different scales.

We also expect children to be able to look at an image or a piece of art and to have an understanding of it, not just react to it. We equip them with the skills required to have an understanding of the language of art and design. This enables them to describe what they see in detail and to provide evidence for their observations.

## **IMPLEMENTATION**

Art and Design is planned around a thematic/skills based approach as part of a coherent curriculum so that knowledge and concepts can progress within and across year groups and allow children to make closer links with prior learning.

The skills and knowledge that children will develop throughout each art topic are mapped across each year group and are progressive throughout the school. The emphasis on knowledge ensures that children understand the context of the artwork, as well as the artists that they are learning about and being inspired by. This enables links to other curriculum areas, including humanities, with children developing a considerable knowledge of individual artists, as well as individual works and art movements. A similar systematic approach to the development of artistic skills means that children are given opportunities to express their creative imagination, as well as practise and develop mastery in the key processes of art: drawing, painting, printing, textiles and sculpture.

The school's art curriculum is supported through the availability of a wide range of quality resources, which are used to support children's confidence in the use of different media.

## **IMPACT**

The structure of our Art and Design curriculum ensures that children are able to develop their knowledge and understanding of the work of artists, craftspeople and designers from a range of times and cultures and apply this knowledge to their own work. The consistent use of children's sketchbooks means that children are able to review, modify and develop their initial ideas in order to achieve high quality outcomes. Children learn to understand and apply the key principles of art: line, tone, texture, shape, form, space, pattern, colour, contrast, composition, proportion and perspective. The opportunity for children to refine and develop their techniques over time is supported by effective lesson sequencing and progression between year groups. This also supports children in achieving age related expectations at the end of their cohort year.

At St Peter's Catholic Primary School, we are able to measure the impact that Art and Design has had for all children by:

- Determining the extent to which objectives are met within each lesson and overall, at the end of each piece of study.
- Listening and reacting to pupil discussions about their learning.
- Images of the children's practical learning.
- Interviewing the pupils about their learning (pupil voice).
- Moderation staff meetings where pupil's works are looked at and there is the opportunity for a dialogue between teachers to understand their class's work.
- Annual reporting of standards across the curriculum.

School displays reflect the children's sense of pride in their artwork and this is also demonstrated by creative outcomes across the wider curriculum. The school environment also celebrates children's achievements in art and demonstrates the subject's status in the school; with outcomes, including sculptures, enhancing the outdoor, as well as indoor, environment. The Art and Design curriculum at St Peter's, contributes to children's personal development in creativity, independence, judgement and self-reflection.