



## ART AND DESIGN CURRICULUM

### Intent:

Our art and design curriculum allows children to explore and evaluate different creative ideas using a range of media and materials. They will learn the skills of drawing, painting, collage and textiles, 3D work and digital art in a progressive journey as they develop. They will apply these skills to our cross-curricular topics of study, where they will be encouraged to take risks and experiment whilst being aware of the intended outcome and their audience.

The children will explore the styles of historical and modern artists and learn about their techniques and creative intent. The pupils will experiment and use their own creativity to produce their own artwork.

The children will be encouraged to study topics in greater depth by, for example, sketching historical artefacts in detail or researching geographical locations to support their landscape painting.

Mathematical links will be made. For example, when printing repeating patterns and designs and thinking about 3D shapes to support structures. The children are expected to be reflective and evaluate their work, thinking about how they can make changes and keep improving.

### Implementation:

Art is taught in a relaxed environment with carefully planned lessons that link to topics providing depth of study. Lessons will be progressive on a theme, and skills will be built upon as the children move through the school.

Pupils are taught to develop specific techniques, including their control and their use of materials, with creativity, experimentation and an increasing awareness of different kinds of art, crafts and design.

Pupils are taught:

- to create sketch books to record their observations and use them to review and revisit ideas
- to improve their mastery of art and design techniques, including drawing, painting, printmaking, textiles and sculpture with a range of materials (e.g. pencil, charcoal, chalk, paint, clay, fabric, reclaimed materials)
- about great artists, architects and designers in history

Exploration and original ideas are praised as the children learn to become artists. Pupils also learn to evaluate each other's work positively. Pupils are encouraged to refer back to their sketch book to assess the development from initial ideas to the finished piece to reflect on their own progress.

## Impact:

Children's work will be displayed to celebrate their artwork in their learning environment. All efforts are valued.

We measure the impact of our curriculum through the following methods:

- Pupil discussions about their learning; which includes discussion of their thoughts, ideas, processing and evaluations of work.
- As pupils progress, they will be encouraged to think critically to evaluate and develop their art and design.
- A celebration of children's work through gallery displays, sharing work with parents.