

Our Art and Design Curriculum.

Our vision

At St John's, we want all our children to love art, craft and design. The purpose of the curriculum is to inspire and support pupils to become visually literate. By providing opportunities and skills in a progressive way throughout school, we will develop pupil's critical abilities as well as an understanding of their own and others' cultural heritages.

Curriculum intent

Our intent is to deliver the national curriculum in such a way that children are able to demonstrate curiosity, creativity and self-expression, whilst also providing them with opportunities to improve their resilience, problem solving and critical thinking skills. Pupils will develop their vocabulary as well as their understanding of different elements of art and design. Lessons will be considered and taught in sequence with support from the 'Kapow Primary' scheme, enabling children to reach their full potential. Our intention is to:

1. engage, inspire and challenge pupils, equipping them with the knowledge and skills to experiment, invent and create their own works of art, craft and design.
2. think critically and develop a rigorous understanding of art and design.
3. they should also know how art and design both reflect and shape our history, and contribute to the culture, creativity and wealth of our nation.
4. become proficient in drawing, painting, sculpture and other art, craft and design techniques
5. evaluate and analyse creative works using the language of art, craft and design.
6. know about great artists, craft makers and designers, and understand the historical and cultural importance.

Implementation

We believe using the Kapow scheme of learning is the best way to achieve this, providing relevant contexts which the children can learn as well as the essential skills that are required to ensure a progressive curriculum. Art can tell a story

and spread an important message. Children are given a range of opportunities to explore a wide variety of materials and techniques, developing their skills and thinking as young artists, using the Kapow Primary scheme to form the basis of our Art and Design curriculum. Throughout each unit, children are exposed to a range of skills, artists and materials which are continually revisited throughout the units.

Our developed curriculum and method of delivery enables children to learn and progress in Art and Design in the following ways.

1. Through refining our core knowledge, more children will achieve age related expectations at the end of their cohort year.
2. Children are able to apply their prior experiences and techniques within each unit of year, then build upon their skills and knowledge.
3. Pupils will have developed a passion for Art and Design and discuss with confidence, and respond critically.