

Art and design Curriculum-St Francis Xavier Catholic Primary School



Intent:

"Isaiah 64:8 ESV "But now, O Lord, you are our Father; we are the clay, and you are our potter; we are all the work of your hand."

At St Francis Xavier Catholic Primary School, we believe that all of our Pupils are gifted from God and have the ability, through Art, craft and design, to express themselves creatively embodying the true and powerful knowledge and skills taught through the national curriculum.

The Art and Design curriculum should engage, inspire and challenge all pupils providing them with the tools to deepen and master skills such that they can create individual expressions of art. We aim to create opportunities for pupils to experiment using different media and techniques. A high-quality art and design education should 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.

We believe that subject knowledge in art should underpin the skills developed across the years and phases.

Through the art curriculum, our pupils will gain an understanding and respect for the work of a range of artists and designers, local and global, as well as historical and modern. This knowledge will develop their cultural capital and enable them to form lifelong learning skills allowing them to appreciate art and design in the future

Implementation:

- Pupils develop their art and design skills through teaching and learning starting in EYFS, up to year 6.
- The teaching of Art and Design follows the National Curriculum Programme of Study.
- We teach a knowledge and skills-based art curriculum, which allows children to progress from experimenting using a range of materials to inventing and creating their own pieces of artwork using specific resources and techniques.
- Pupils are provided with opportunities to practise and develop in the key processes of art: drawing, painting, printing, textiles and sculpture.
- Children are encouraged to be reflective, analysing and evaluating their own work, the work of artists and of their peers.
- Pupils develop a personal portfolio using sketch books from Year 1 to Year 6, giving children the opportunity to practise, review and improve their work as they progress through school
- Where appropriate, Art and design are linked their topics, enabling children to make links in their learning.
- Pupil's subject knowledge and skills in art and design are supported and developed through the study of a range of artists and designers.

Impact:

At St Francis Xavier Catholic Primary School, all of our Pupils are artists. They are proud of their individual outcomes in art and design and are able to explore and record their experiences with increasing self-confidence, whilst developing their knowledge about great artists- as part of their cultural development. At St Francis Xavier, we endeavour to ensure all of our pupils have the opportunities to meet the end of key stage expectations outlined in the National curriculum for Art and Design and have the self-belief to know they are all truly gifted in their own right.