



William Stockton Primary School

Art: Intent, Implementation, Impact Statement



Our Art curriculum 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. The curriculum has appropriate subject knowledge, skills and understanding to explore and investigate, create and evaluate artwork as set out in the National Curriculum and so will enable the children to reach and exceed their potential. It enables pupils to create artwork with a real purpose in terms of displaying and sharing the work they create and showcasing the skills and progress they have made.

Intent

The intent of the Art curriculum at our primary school is to foster creativity, critical thinking, and an appreciation for the visual arts, while ensuring that every child develops their artistic skills and understanding. Our curriculum is designed with the following aims:

- **Develop Artistic Skills:** To provide a broad range of artistic experiences that allow children to explore different media, techniques, and styles. This includes painting, drawing, sculpture, printmaking, and digital art.
- **Cultural Awareness:** To introduce pupils to a diverse range of artists, art movements, and cultural contexts to enhance their understanding of the world. By studying historical and contemporary art, children will appreciate the role of art in society and its power for communication and expression.
- **Creativity and Self-Expression:** To encourage individual creativity and self-expression, enabling students to articulate their thoughts and emotions through their artwork. We aim to give students the confidence to experiment and take risks in their creative process.
- **Cross-Curricular Links:** To connect art to other subjects, reinforcing and enhancing learning across the curriculum. We aim to show how art can be used as a medium for inquiry and understanding different topics, such as history, geography, and science.

Implementation

To secure an outstanding provision in Art, we have implemented a well-structured and dynamic curriculum that includes the following components:

- **Comprehensive Curriculum Map:** Our Art curriculum is sequenced and progressive, ensuring that skills and concepts build on prior learning across key stages. Each year group has clear objectives that encompass artistic techniques, and critical analysis.
- **Quality Resources and Facilities:** We ensure that pupils have access to high-quality resources, including a range of materials. We facilitate a variety of artistic practices, promoting an environment conducive to creativity.
- **High-Quality Teaching:** Our staff are trained in current pedagogical practices and have a passion for the arts. Continuous professional development ensures that teachers are equipped with the skills to inspire and engage pupils. Lessons are designed to be interactive, inclusive, and adapted to meet the needs of all learners.
- **Engagement with the Community:** We foster partnerships with local artists and cultural organisations to enhance our curriculum.
- **Assessment and Personalisation:** We utilise formative assessment strategies to track pupil progress and understanding. Individual creative journeys are supported through tailored feedback and guidance, encouraging students to reflect on their work and set personal goals.

Impact

The impact of our Art curriculum is evident in several key areas:

- **Pupil Engagement and Achievement:** A high percentage of pupils demonstrate enthusiasm for art, evident in their participation and the quality of their work. Standards of attainment in Art are consistently high for all groups.
- **Personal Development and Well-Being:** Pupils exhibit increased confidence and resilience as they engage with their creative projects. Art plays a crucial role in their emotional and social development, allowing them to express themselves and work collaboratively with their peers.
- **Cultural Capital:** Pupils gain a rich understanding of cultural heritage and diversity through exposure to a variety of artistic influences. They are able to articulate their understanding of art's significance in cultural contexts and the impact of art on society.
- **Creative Thinking and Problem Solving:** Our curriculum nurtures transferable skills such as critical thinking, problem-solving, and decision-making. By overcoming challenges in their creative work, pupils learn to approach problems with an innovative mindset.

- **Community Engagement and Collaboration:** Our involvement with local artists and organisations enhances the cultural life of our school and the local community. The exhibitions and workshops not only celebrate pupils' achievements but also strengthen community ties and promote a shared appreciation for the arts.

In summary, our Art curriculum is designed to be engaging, inclusive, and impactful, ensuring we provide an outstanding educational experience that nurtures every child's artistic potential and personal growth.