

Art and Design at George Street Primary School.

Intent:

At George Street we offer a creative and inspiring curriculum which allows our children to develop key skills which will enable them to be life-long artists, designers and food technicians.

We offer a high-quality art and design education which engages, inspires and challenges our pupils. Our intention is to equip our children with the knowledge and skills to experiment, invent and create their own works of art and craft. We intend to familiarise our children with lives and works of famous artist from different periods, study their techniques and understand how the art has shaped national and worldwide culture, creativity, wealth and history.

George Street Art and design curriculum is closely linked to the requirements of National Curriculum in Art. Therefore, we aim to ensure our children:

- produce creative work, explore their ideas and record their experiences
- become proficient in drawing, painting, sculpture and other art, craft and design techniques
- evaluate and analyse creative works using the language of art, craft and design
- know about great artists, craft makers and designers, and understand the historical and cultural development of their art forms.

Implementation:

At George Street, art and design plays an important role in learning and developing our children's creativity and understanding of different artistic techniques and use of wide range of media to create works of art. We carefully design our own art curriculum based on National Curriculum requirements.

To ensure high standards of teaching and learning of art, we implement a curriculum that is progressive throughout the whole school. Art is planned as termly topic blocks and is based on progression of skills and knowledge across each Key Stage.

At George Street our children are active learners, so when teaching art we ensure our pupils develop their imagination and artistic skills and work as artists having real-life experience and learn about art in an active and creative way. Using a variety of teaching approaches and resources that are based on the teacher's judgement and children interest, teachers plan learning which is engaging, broad and balanced.

To enable our pupils to enjoy and confidently use their creativity and artistic skills children at George Street are taught age appropriate skills that progress from EYFS, through KS1 to KS2:

- to use a range of materials creatively to design and make products
- using drawing, painting and sculpture to develop and share their ideas, experiences and imagination
- to develop a wide range of art and design techniques in using colour, pattern, texture, line, shape, form and space
- learn about the work of a range of artists, craft makers and designers, describing the differences and similarities between different practices and disciplines, and making links to their own work.
- 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 and sculpture with a range of materials [for example, pencil, charcoal, paint, clay]
- learn about great artists, architects and designers in history.

At George Street we ignite children's interest in art by giving them opportunities to learn through studying lives and works of significant artists and explore world greatest pieces of art. We encourage our children to learn about art through implementing cross-curriculum activities and look for ways in which art can be studied inside and outside of the classroom. Our annual art and design week allows children to immerse

themselves in art and design for one week with the opportunity to share their creations with the wider school community.

Impact:

Engaging, broad and balanced teaching and learning opportunity will impact our children ability to develop their techniques, including their control and their use of materials, with creativity, experimentation and an increasing awareness of different kinds of art, craft and design. We want our children to be fascinated by art they study and inspire them to progress and improve their skills and imagination. Our high quality art and design curriculum will allow children to become proficient with different media. By the end of the programme of study we want our children to be confident and passionate artists giving them solid grounding for further learning in this discipline at secondary school.

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

- Formatively assessing children's knowledge and skills before and after the unit is taught.
- Using a broad range of media and resources proficiently against age related expectations.
- Celebrating successes by displaying children's art in the classroom and communal areas of school.
- Pupils voice about their learning as artists.
- Acknowledging and celebrating success of artistically gifted and talented children.