



St Marys Catholic Voluntary Academy, New Mills



Art and Design Curriculum

God shines within our hearts. Jesus walks by our side. The Holy Spirit gives us strength.

Intent:

Our Art and Design 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 will enable pupils to create art work with a real purpose when displaying and sharing the work they create and showcasing the skills and progress they have made. Children will become confident and proficient in a variety of techniques such as drawing, painting and sculpting as well as other selected craft skills eg collage, printing, weaving and patterns. Children will also develop their knowledge of famous artists, designers and craft makers from the local area and around the world.

Implementation:

At St Mary's our Art and Design curriculum will be delivered predominantly through a cross curricular topic approach. Children have the opportunity to develop their art skills in two and three dimensions in the key areas of drawing, painting, printmaking, textiles, collage, clay and sculpture. The skills in these key areas are developed continuously throughout the school from Foundation Stage to Year 6. We encourage children to be inspired by the work of great artists and engage in a wide range of resources and media, to be inventive, imaginative and creative. All children use sketchbooks to record ideas and practice skills. We develop critical thinking, where children talk about their own and others work, using the vocabulary an artist may use. The children learn about the importance the contribution of art has on culture and the world around us. We take great pride in displaying the children's artwork around the school, entering art competitions and creating our own art gallery. Children have the opportunity to visit local art galleries and visits from artists in school.

Impact

- Children are happy learners within Art & design. They experience a wide-ranging number of learning challenges in the art and know appropriate responses to them.
- Through Art & design, children deepen their appreciation of their faith and fulfil their God-given talents.
- Children of all abilities and backgrounds achieve well in Art & design. Children talk enthusiastically about their learning in Art & design and are eager to further their learning in the next stages of their education.
- Fundamental British Values are evident in Art & design and children understand how Art & design can celebrate difference.

- Children will develop a wide range of art and design techniques in using colour, pattern, texture, line shape, form and space, experimenting with and refining their use of different materials.
- Children will be able to write/think and talk about art (in terms of the formal elements colour, line, tone, shape, pattern, texture) and be able to record their ideas (drawing from observation).
- Children will become proficient in drawing, painting, sculpture and other art, craft and design techniques, producing creative work, exploring their ideas and recording their experiences. They will be able to evaluate and analyse creative works using the language of art, craft and design.
- Children will be able to develop ideas from looking at the work of others and famous pieces of artwork giving opinions. They will develop the key skills of commenting, adapting, exploring, collecting and responding.
- Through wider reading in Art & design, children will know about great artists, craft makers and designers, and understand the historical and cultural development in their art forms. Through this exposure, children will produce work that is influenced by the best of the best.
- Children will be familiar with the opportunities available in the workplace in terms of Art & design such as in graphic design, fine art, photography, fashion/textiles and Spatial design.
- Children will develop higher level thinking skills and skills for the workplace such as sustained focus/problem-solving/creativity/resilience