

## **ART AND DESIGN CURRICULUM GUIDANCE**

*“Every artist was first an amateur.”*

*Ralph Waldo Emerson*

### **Art and Design Intent**

At St. Andrew's Primary school, we believe that high quality art lessons will inspire creativity and imagination. As artists, the children will become proficient in drawing, painting, sculpting and other art, craft and design. We intend to provide a broad and balanced curriculum where the children have the opportunity to develop and extend skills and an opportunity to express their individual interests, thoughts and ideas. Lessons should engage, inspire and challenge pupils, equipping them with the knowledge and skills to experiment, invent and create their own works of art. The skills that they acquire should then be applied to other subjects; for example, by sketching historical artefacts in detail, expressing emotions within PSHE or using range of shapes and patterns within mathematics. The children are expected to be reflective and evaluate their work, thinking how they can make changes and keep improving. They will also have the opportunity to know how art and design both reflect and shape our history and how it contributes to the culture, creativity and wealth of our nation. Through their own curiosity, creativity and the study of other artists, the children will understand and experience the legacy left by artists, the struggles and courage they had to achieve their goals and the diversity within the art of the world.



*“Creativity takes courage.”*

*Henri Matisse*

## **Art and Design Implementation**

At St. Andrew’s we use the National Curriculum and planning from the Lighthouse Schools Partnership as the basis for our planning in art and design. This is carefully mapped out to ensure a clear progression of knowledge, skills and vocabulary across the primary range. From this scheme of work we have created a skills progression to follow. The majority of art sessions will be taught discreetly however where possible links to the current project will be made. Each year group will build upon and further develop previous skills. The work of famous local, national and international artists are explored to enhance the children's learning.

At St. Andrew’s we provide opportunities for some of the children’s work to be displayed, admired and acknowledged by staff, peers and parents.



*“Every child is an artist.”*

*Pablo Picasso*

## **Art and Design Impact**

St Andrew’s curriculum for art and design is high quality, well thought out and is planned to demonstrate progression. We measure the impact of the curriculum by:

- Reflecting on the standards achieved against the session outcome and use this to plan subsequent lessons.
- Celebrating learning through assemblies, displays or art weeks which will demonstrate progression across the school.
- Giving the pupils the opportunity to discuss their own learning which includes a discussion of their thoughts, ideas, processes, evaluations and next steps.

