Art and Design Curriculum Rationale

At St Wilfrid's, our approach to Art and Design is to appreciate it as a distinct subject, making curriculum links when it is suitable to do so. When Art and Design is taught as a distinct subject there are clear opportunities to develop and strengthen specific skills. We use a range of materials and techniques including drawing, paint, ink, clay, sculpture, textile, printmaking and multimedia because we have high expectations about what all children are capable of achieving within the visual arts.

INTENT



Alignment to **National Curriculum**

The school follows the National Curriculum Art and Design programme of study. This is supplemented by the National Society for Education in Art and Design (NSEAD) 2014 curriculum document. Additional planning and curriculum support has been provide by 'Access Art.'



also develop the vocabulary to critique art and use artistic terminology with confidence when talking about their own work, the work produced by peers and the work of established artists.



Sequencing

A key principle of our teaching is about belief that every child can engage with art and design. The resources used in school are suitable for pupils of all abilities. We have a firm belief that every child can achieve and that they are entitled to the same knowledge and cultural capital, whatever their background or starting point. While children will come to us with different levels of experience and knowledge in Art, we will work to address these gaps



Addressing Social

Disadvantage

Local Context

The Art and Design curriculum is ambitious in the range of skills and techniques delivered. Children will develop a broad skillset with sketchbook work being a continuous thread used in all year groups. Children will

Our Art and Design curriculum is a spiral curriculum. Teachers; medium term planning will put skills and vocabulary into a learning context, drawing on the knowledge and skills set out in the whole school progression grid. Skills are revisited and the use of ongoing sketchbook work underpins all the content.

in experience, skill and knowledge.

All children have at least one opportunity to experience art in a gallery context, e.g. a visit to the Yorkshire Sculpture Park. However, this also includes visits to Graves Gallery, the Millennium Galleries and Weston Park museum depending on the current exhibitions. We feel It is crucial for all children to have an experience of public art and an appreciation for curatorship. There a rich opportunities for this in Sheffield.

IMPLEMENTATION

Art and Design lessons begin with a skills - based warm

up activity. The purpose of this is to revisit and apply

previously taught skills. The role of the teacher is to

allow pupils to explore their own creativity.

introduce key skills, materials and ideas but ultimately



Pedagogical Approaches

The Art and Design Programme of Study and supplementing resources can be confidently delivered by specialist and non-specialist teachers alike. As the Subject specific professional development takes place as part of INSET training and Professional Development Meeting time.



Teachers' Expert

Knowledge

Promoting Discussion and Understanding



Knowing More and Remembering More

The progression plan includes core knowledge and skill development for each year group. Key artistic terminology is taught in context.

Effective questioning by the teacher is key to allow pupils

to practise new knowledge and to help them make links

between new and prior learning (Rosenshine). Teachers'

questions aim to promote dialogue about the success

improvement and opportunities for children to reflect

of the focus skills, possible ideas for further

on the materials and techniques used.



Assessment questions provide teachers with an indicator of pupil confidence. Sketchbooks evidence progression of skills in all year groups

IMPACT



Approach to Assessment

The approach to assessment is less formal than in core subject disciplines. In Art and Design, there is ongoing teacher assessment to ensure that the children are keeping up with the pace of the curriculum and achieving our goals.



There is no published data for Art and Design at primary school. The school tracks foundation subjects very broadly to ensure that pupils are working within the curriculum expectations for their year group.





Pupils' Work

Sketchbooks are key to capturing pupil work. Additionally, pupil work is displayed in communal areas as a wider public display of artwork is a critical part in the artistic process.



Talking to Pupils

The subject leader talks to pupils about their learning as part of the monitoring process. This is to see if core vocabulary has been remembered and understood. Pupils also will have the opportunity to talk about their work and their enjoyment and understanding of the lessons, showing much they can recall, and their responses will be used to inform teaching.

Links / References

https://www.accessart.org.uk/teachers-schools/primary-schools-2/

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