

Trentside Federation Curriculum Statement for Art

INTENT

Rationale:

At St Martin's CE Primary School, we value Art and Design as a crucial part of our broad and balanced curriculum. We believe that a high-quality art and design education should engage, inspire and challenge pupils, equipping them with the knowledge and skills needed to experiment, invent and create their own works of art, craft and design. We value art as a form of visual communication, and we aim for our pupils to be able to use art to express their emotions, interpret observations, convey insights or accentuate their individuality. We intend that our pupils will develop the ability to reflect on, analyse and critically evaluate their own work, and that of others. Above all, we aim to instil a passion for Art and Design in our pupils, and intend that they will leave us with the ability to think and act like creative practitioners.

IMPLEMENTATION

In order to implement our intent, we have:

- A carefully planned sequence of skills and knowledge to be acquired by pupils, from EYFS through to UKS2. Learning is set out under three Key Concepts;
 - Developing ideas
 - Mastering techniques
 - Taking inspiration from the greats

These key concepts underpin learning in each milestone throughout the school. This enables pupils to reinforce and build upon prior learning, make connections and develop subject specific language. Please see our Art Progression document to see this in more detail.

- We use sketchbooks to document process, progress, creativity and skills. Each child, from Year 1 – Year 6, has their own sketchbook. Sketchbooks are valued as a place for every child to be creative, and take ownership for their Artistic development. Adults guide pupils and teach them new skills and knowledge, but pupils take control of how they interpret this, making their own creative decisions within their sketchbooks. We encourage all pupils to evaluate their work in sketch books and to value the process.

IMPACT

Through implementing the above children will:

- Develop a love of Art and Design, as a form of self-expression
- Develop and become proficient in a range of artistic skills
- Develop the ability to select and use a range of tools and materials, to create a desired effect
- Feel a sense of achievement when reviewing their progress in these skills over time
- Develop the ability to critically analyze their own, and others work
- Become familiar with, and take inspiration from, the work of a wide range of Artists and Designers, from around the world.

