

Vision For Art and Design

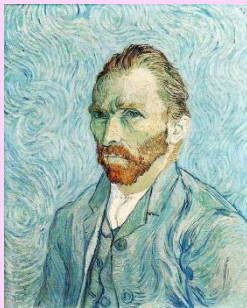
'Yet you, Lord, are our Father. We are the clay, you are the potter; we are all the work of your hand.'
Isaiah 64:8

At St Mary's we value Art and Design as an important part of our children's entitlement to a varied and balanced curriculum. We believe that if our pupils are to achieve their full potential within the Art curriculum we must aim to provide them with ways of stimulating their creativity and imagination through visual, tactile and sensory experiences.



We believe that Art and Design should enable the children to communicate what they see, feel and think, expressing **Compassion** through art, using colour and design in creating characters with expressions that say "we care" and "we are in this together". Children should experiment with their ideas, their use of colour, texture, form, pattern and different materials and processes. Self-evaluation of work is encouraged and children are taught how to be **Resilient** to achieve their goals and **Aspire** to be all they can be.

Art is taught, wherever appropriate, by linking it to topics and the wider curriculum, as it gives children the opportunity to bring the topics to life. We use our special whole school curriculum days eg. our RE Enrichment days to create whole school displays. Children also explore ideas and meanings through the work of artists and designers, giving them an **Awareness** and appreciation of Art, past and present, across the world.



... engage, inspire and challenge pupils, equipping them with the knowledge and skills to experiment, invent and create their own works of art, craft and design (DfE National Curriculum Art and Design)

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