

Curriculum Overview

KS3 Art, Design and Crafts.

Curriculum Intent:

At KS3 the Art, design and crafts curriculum is design to engage, inspire and challenge pupils, offering a more tailored approach so to include all. The programme of study focuses on the development of technical skill and contextual understanding. The Art curriculum is varied and intends to expose pupils to a full range of disciplines and approaches, including 2D and 3D work. There is a focus on progression as the knowledge and skills build on subsequent projects' enabling pupils to experiment, invent and create their own works of art. The Curriculum also develops contextual understanding as pupils will learn how art and design both reflect and shape our history, and contribute to the culture.

Learning covered:

Through a diverse range of projects pupils will explore a wide range of techniques and processes in order to record their observations in sketchbooks, journals and other media. They will exploring their ideas through a range of art, design and craft disciplines such as textiles, graphics, ceramics sculpture etc and thus increase their proficiency in the handling of different materials. Through a skills based approach, in-line with the GCSE assessment objectives they will analyse and evaluate their own work, and that of others, in order to strengthen the visual impact or applications of their work. They will explore the history of art, craft, design and architecture, including periods, styles and major movements from ancient times up to the present day.

Links to accreditation:

Currently at KS3 the art, design and crafts curriculum prepares pupils to undertake GCSE Art, design and crafts AQA specification. NCFE Art and crafts is offered.

Preparation for transition (including links to careers):

With this study pupils can successfully transition to other creative GCSE subjects endorsed or unendorsed. It is a qualification which is valued by many employers and career paths..

Also the course is structure so that pupils can take art Btec route of study if desired.

