

Art and Design at Holy Family

Our vision at Holy Family is one of quality teaching and learning, positivity and celebration. We aim to have a sense of purpose, relevance and excitement which will provide children with the opportunities they need and deserve to develop important skills, appreciate, grow personally and believe in themselves. We hope that as a school we can share our love of art, our achievements and really celebrate them amongst ourselves and with others.

Art and design play a central role in allowing children to do this and at Holy Family we aim to provide first-hand experience, experimentation and development of ideas and skills – all without fear of failure. Here, we believe children should have the opportunity provided to develop and progress in all areas of artistic skill. To achieve this, we aim to give children opportunities to communicate what they see, feel and think through the use of colour, texture, form, pattern, materials and different processes. We want every child to have their own sketchbook throughout school so they can reflect and look at how they have grown and progressed. We also aim to provide children chance to study artists in depth.

Discussion plays a huge role here at Holy Family and we encourage the children to talk about what skills they are practising, what topics they are focusing on and why. Through our discussions we also aim to seek pupil feedback so that we can develop and foster their love of learning. We think it is especially important to get the children working together and talking to each other about what they are studying.

Holy Family aims to include art and design throughout the curriculum, providing discussion in and links to subjects such as Religious Education, History and English. We aim for our art to provide opportunities for children to reflect on history, culture and promote critical thinking.

It is extremely important that art is celebrated and our children feel proud of their achievements. At Holy Family we want to see our children excited to show and talk about their experiences, we aim to display beautiful and creative pieces of art done by our pupils amongst ourselves and with the community.

Children currently have opportunity to take part in lunch time clubs providing artistic activities and as a school we will continue to seek opportunities and develop what we offer in terms of art and design so that we can give the children the best possible experience.