

Art - Curriculum Design

Purpose of study

Art, craft and design embody some of the highest forms of human creativity. A high-quality art and design education should 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. As pupils progress, they should be able to think critically and develop a more rigorous understanding of art and design. They should also know how art and design both reflect and shape our history, and contribute to the culture, creativity and wealth of our nation.

What are the aims of the subject?

The national curriculum for art and design aims to ensure that all pupil:

- produce creative work, exploring their ideas and recording their experiences
- Become proficient in drawing, painting, sculpture and other art, craft and design techniques
- Evaluate and analyse creative works using the language of art, craft and design
- Know about great artists, craft makers and designers, and understand the historical and cultural development of their art forms.
- Develop a visual awareness and vocabulary.
- Provide opportunities to use art to record feelings and express creative imagination from first-hand experience.
- Understand the visual elements of colour, texture, line, tone, pattern, shape and form in order for them to effectively express themselves through artistic means.
- Develop mastery of a range of tools, media and processes.
- Develop critical abilities and an understanding of cultural heritage.
- Acquire artistic skills and techniques.
- Develop their capacity to evaluate their work and others artistic endeavours
- Increase their critical awareness of the roles and purposes of art and design in different times and cultures.

Art at Rodbourne Cheney Primary School

At Rodbourne Cheney we want to ensure the teaching of art is a way of stimulating children's creativity and imagination through visual, tactile and sensory experiences. We believe art is a unique way of understanding and responding to the world. We want to encourage a process of communicating ideas, feelings and meanings through understanding of colour, form, texture and pattern.

Pupils at Rodbourne Cheney are encouraged to make thoughtful judgements about life and life in different times and cultures. There are also opportunities to shape the environment and make a positive impact and view art as an enrichment to our lives. We celebrate all our children's achievements through stimulating displays and opportunities for parents and the wider community to take part in special events.