



# Art & Design Policy

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**It is our intent that:**

*By the time a child leaves St Mary's Primary they will:*

- Use visual language skilfully and convincingly (for example, line, shape, pattern, colour, texture, form) to express emotions, interpret observations, convey insights and accentuate their individuality.
- Communicate fluently in visual and tactile form.
- Draw confidently and adventurously from observation, memory and imagination.
- Explore and invent marks, develop and deconstruct ideas and communicate perceptively and powerfully through purposeful drawing in 2D, 3D or digital media.
- Have an impressive knowledge and understanding of other artists, craft makers and designers.
- Think and act like creative practitioners by using their knowledge and understanding to inform, inspire and interpret ideas, observations and feelings.
- Have independence, initiative and originality which they can use to develop their creativity.
- Select and use materials, processes and techniques skilfully and inventively to realise intentions and capitalise on the unexpected.
- Reflect on, analyse and critically evaluate their own work and that of others. Have a passion for and a commitment to the subject

**Breadth**

<b>Key Stage 1</b>	<b>Key Stage 2</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Use experiences and ideas as the inspiration for artwork.</li><li>• Share ideas using drawing, painting and sculpture.</li><li>• Explore a variety of techniques.</li><li>• Learn about the work of a range of artists, artisans and designers.</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Use experiences, other subjects across the curriculum and ideas as inspiration for artwork.</li><li>• Develop and share ideas in a sketchbook and in finished products.</li><li>• Improve mastery of techniques.</li><li>• Learn about the great artists, architects and designers in history.</li></ul>

## Learning Pathway

Key Objective		Lower School	Middle School	Upper School
<b>To develop ideas</b>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Respond to ideas and starting points.</li> <li>Explore ideas and collect visual information.</li> <li>Explore different methods and materials as ideas develop.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Develop ideas from starting points throughout the curriculum.</li> <li>Collect information, sketches and resources.</li> <li>Adapt and refine ideas as they progress.</li> <li>Explore ideas in a variety of ways.</li> <li>Comment on artworks using visual language.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Develop and imaginatively extend ideas from starting points throughout the curriculum.</li> <li>Collect information, sketches and resources and present ideas imaginatively in a sketch book.</li> <li>Use the qualities of materials to enhance ideas.</li> <li>Spot the potential in unexpected results as</li> </ul>
				<p>work progresses.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Comment on artworks with a fluent grasp of visual language.</li> </ul>
<b>To master techniques</b>	Painting	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Use thick and thin brushes.</li> <li>Mix primary colours to make secondary.</li> <li>Add white to colours to make tints and black to colours to make tones.</li> <li>Create colour wheels.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Use a number of brush techniques using thick and thin brushes to produce shapes, textures, patterns and lines.</li> <li>Mix colours effectively.</li> <li>Use watercolour paint to produce washes for backgrounds then add detail.</li> <li>Experiment with creating mood with colour.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Sketch (lightly) before painting to combine line and colour.</li> <li>Create a colour palette based upon colours observed in the natural or built world.</li> <li>Use the qualities of watercolour and acrylic paints to create visually interesting pieces.</li> <li>Combine colours, tones and tints to enhance the mood of a piece.</li> <li>Use brush techniques and the qualities of paint to create texture.</li> <li>Develop a personal style of painting, drawing upon ideas from other artists.</li> </ul>
	Collage	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Use a combination of materials that are cut, torn and glued.</li> <li>Sort and arrange materials.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Select and arrange materials for a striking effect.</li> <li>Ensure work is precise.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Mix textures (rough and smooth, plain and patterned).</li> <li>Combine visual and tactile qualities.</li> <li>Use ceramic mosaic materials and techniques.</li> </ul>

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Mix materials to create texture.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Use coiling, overlapping, tessellation, mosaic and montage.</li> </ul>	
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Sculpture	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Use a combination of shapes.</li> <li>• Include lines and texture.</li> <li>• Use rolled up paper, straws, paper, card and clay as materials.</li> <li>• Use techniques such as rolling, cutting, moulding and carving.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Create and combine shapes to create recognisable forms (e.g. shapes made from nets or solid materials).</li> <li>• Include texture that conveys feelings, expression or movement.</li> <li>• Use clay and other mouldable materials.</li> <li>• Add materials to provide interesting detail.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Show life-like qualities and real-life proportions or, if more abstract, provoke different interpretations.</li> <li>• Use tools to carve and add shapes, texture and pattern.</li> <li>• Combine visual and tactile qualities.</li> <li>• Use frameworks (such as wire or moulds) to provide stability and form.</li> </ul>
Drawing	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Draw lines of different sizes and thickness.</li> <li>• Colour (own work) neatly following the lines.</li> <li>• Show pattern and texture by adding dots and lines.</li> <li>• Show different tones by using coloured pencils.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Use different hardnesses of pencils to show line, tone and texture.</li> <li>• Annotate sketches to explain and elaborate ideas.</li> <li>• Sketch lightly (no need to use a rubber to correct mistakes).</li> <li>• Use shading to show light and shadow.</li> <li>• Use hatching and cross hatching to show tone and texture.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Use a variety of techniques to add interesting effects (e.g. reflections, shadows, direction of sunlight).</li> <li>• Use a choice of techniques to depict movement, perspective, shadows and reflection.</li> <li>• Choose a style of drawing suitable for the work (e.g. realistic or impressionistic).</li> <li>• Use lines to represent movement.</li> </ul>
Print	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Use repeating or overlapping shapes.</li> <li>• Mimic print from the environment (e.g. wallpapers).</li> <li>• Use objects to create prints (e.g. fruit, vegetables or sponges).</li> <li>• Press, roll, rub and stamp to make prints.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Use layers of two or more colours.</li> <li>• Replicate patterns observed in natural or built environments.</li> <li>• Make printing blocks (e.g. from coiled string glued to a block).</li> <li>• Make precise repeating patterns.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Build up layers of colours.</li> <li>• Create an accurate pattern, showing fine detail.</li> <li>• Use a range of visual elements to reflect the purpose of the work.</li> </ul>

Textiles	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Use weaving to create a pattern.</li> <li>• Join materials using glue and/or a stitch.</li> <li>• Use plaiting.</li> <li>• Use dip dye techniques.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Shape and stitch materials.</li> <li>• Use basic cross stitch and back stitch.</li> <li>• Colour fabric.</li> <li>• Create weavings.</li> <li>• Quilt, pad and gather fabric.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Show precision in techniques.</li> <li>• Choose from a range of stitching techniques.</li> <li>• Combine previously learned techniques to create pieces.</li> </ul>
Digital media	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Use a wide range of tools to create different textures, lines, tones, colours and shapes.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Create images, video and sound recordings and explain why they were created.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Enhance digital media by editing (including sound, video, animation, still images and installations).</li> </ul>
<b>To take inspiration from the greats (classic and modern)</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Describe the work of notable artists, artisans and designers.</li> <li>• Use some of the ideas of artists studied to create pieces.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Replicate some of the techniques used by notable artists, artisans and designers.</li> <li>• Create original pieces that are influenced by studies of others.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Give details (including own sketches) about the style of some notable artists, artisans and designers.</li> <li>• Show how the work of those studied was influential in both society and to other artists.</li> <li>• Create original pieces that show a range of influences and styles.</li> </ul>