

Our Art & Design Curriculum

Art and Design at St Bridget's covers units that are divided into 3 core areas. This provides teachers with clarity for knowledge and skills progression within these areas. Teachers feel confident that children are given opportunities to develop mastery by revisiting core subject knowledge and applying their knowledge practically in a range of contexts with growing complexity.

A broad and balanced Art & Design curriculum

Drawing

Painting

Mixed media Sculpture and 3D

The units in our scheme are designed so that children experience the fundamentals of art through broad and balanced units, including exploration of the work of a wide range of artists and makers. The units guide pupils in the skills required to explore, analyse and discuss art. They are encouraged to combine their knowledge of what constitutes 'art', specific artists and techniques with their own experiences to evaluate artworks and to inform their own creative practices. Each unit works towards all of the National curriculum attainment targets. This allows our pupils to develop their knowledge and skills around the formal elements.

Skills & Knowledge

At St Bridget's, we place emphasis on developing children's use of sketchbooks throughout our Art & Design lessons, in order for pupils to apply skills and knowledge. Our lessons provide children with opportunities to engage with their sketchbooks throughout the whole process of creating art, including practising techniques learned as well as developing and evaluating their ideas towards an outcome.

Whole School Art Projects

During the academic year, we participate in 2 whole School Art projects, providing a further opportunity for pupils to express themselves through their Art and Design choices.

In 2023 – 2024, pupils will explore the medium of collage to produce some Remembrance Day Art. In the Summer term, pupils will work on another whole school project that will provide the Art work for an exhibition in our school hall.