## St Paul's CE Primary School, Utkinton & Cotebrook

## **Art Curriculum**



Here at St Paul's CE Primary School, we are proud to provide excellent care and outstanding education for children from three to eleven years old in our unique, picturesque setting. Our Christian vision is at the heart of all we do, and we endeavour to provide a personalised curriculum to each and every child.

Our small class sizes allow us to give each child a high level of support and guidance. We take care to ensure that we know every child's starting points and we adapt our teaching to meet their needs, meaning every pupil is experiencing challenge and success.

Our Art curriculum is mapped out through rolling programmes due to the class sizes and we have worked hard to tailor the curriculum to it is bespoke to our children.

# **Our Art Curriculum**

"If you work with your hands, you're a laborer. If you work with your hands and your mind, you're a craftsman. If you work with your hands and your mind and your heart, you're an artist."

#### Francis of Assisi

## Intent

Our vision for Art is to foster a love of creative expression and to develop an appreciation of the aesthetic world around us. The art curriculum inspires, encourages and fosters exploration, experimentation, practise and application of a variety of mediums. We will motivate and encourage pupils to utilise knowledge, skills and understanding to express themselves in high quality pieces of work.

Children will experience opportunities to:

- Produce creative work, exploring their ideas and recording their experiences
- Become proficient in drawing, painting, sculpture, textiles, printing 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.

We aim for every child to develop a love and appreciation of art and believe it is important every child feels they have their chance to shine and that their work is valued and appreciated by adults and peers alike. Children will complete an artist study for each art technique explored. Children will explore a range of stimuli and will be given opportunity to respond in meaningful ways to them.

## **Implementation**

Our curriculum is designed around the exploration of a key artist that has exemplified the art technique.

Time is taken to ask questions, appreciate, comment and discuss the art. Key vocabulary is then introduced that will be needed / used throughout the unit.

Children will have time to experiment, explore and use trial and error to develop technique skills. Children then practise the application of mediums using taught techniques.

The elements of art built upon are: line, tone, colour, shape, form, pattern and texture. The skills and techniques in art that are built upon are painting, drawing, printing, collage, textile and sculpture.

Children then produce a final piece in the style of their artist.

Through our teaching and learning of art, all pupils have a positive view of the subject and are able to enthusiastically demonstrate their creativity using a variety of skills and art elements. The art curriculum delivery is equitable and appropriate for all groups ensuring full access and parity for all pupils. Children are supported when necessary to enable full access to their learning in art and the most able are challenged to ensure everyone can fulfill their potential within the subject.

## **Impact**

Children will explore a variety of artists and develop a love of aesthetics and an appreciation of art.

Children can demonstrate applications of mediums, techniques and can describe artwork using key taught vocabulary.

Children produce artwork they are proud of that demonstrates mastery of small steps for their key stage.