Art and Design Vision Statement



"Creativity takes courage." - Henri Matisse

At Andover CE Primary we value Art and Design because it contributes to the development of the whole child: emotionally, intellectually and socially. It creates in the child, a sense of enjoyment and purpose and provides pupils with a unique way of perceiving themselves and the world. Art offers a broader range of opportunities for children to achieve and experience success. Safeguarding is interwoven into all areas of our curriculum to give children the tools to keep themselves safe.

Art at Andover CE Primary will enable children to communicate their experiences in many ways. Children can experiment with ideas, use of colour, texture, form, pattern and different materials and processes. At Andover CE Primary we ensure that there is ample opportunity for children to develop in six areas of art: drawing, painting, printmaking, sculpture, textiles and collage. We encourage children's curiosity and enjoyment by sharing artwork, modelling skills and learning about a diverse range of artists and craftspeople from all over the world.

Self-evaluation of work is encouraged and children are taught to be resilient to achieve their goals. Children can engage with in-depth discussions about their own and others' artwork and develop a sense of their own personal style. A wide and varied vocabulary is taught through art lessons. Through direct skill teaching we ensure that children progress their skills and build on previous knowledge. This helps children to develop as artists.

We offer children opportunities to work with local artists, display their work in the community and engage in art and design experiences outside of the classroom. Through this, we hope to spark a lifelong love of creativity.