

Art and Design at Ashby Hastings Primary School

Intent

Our Art and Design Curriculum will encourage children to explore and experiment with different media, texture and materials to develop creativity in their own artwork, whilst appreciating the work of others. Children will be empowered to think creatively and critically. This curriculum will stimulate imagination and confidence; involving children in a range of visual, tactile and sensory experiences, which enable them to communicate what they see, think and feel through the use of the elements of colour, texture, form and pattern. Art and design promotes careful observation and an appreciation of the world around us. Children will explore ideas and meanings through studying the work of artists and designers. Art and Design at Ashby Hastings will provide our children with the opportunities to develop and extend skills and an opportunity to express their individual interests, thought and ideas.

Implementation

The teaching and implementation of the Art and Design Curriculum at Ashby Hastings Primary School will be based on the National Curriculum and linked to topics to ensure a well-structured approach to this creative subject. Art skills will be taught through focused topics.

Our art and design curriculum will be high quality, children will learn to understand and apply the key principles of art: line, tone, texture, shape, form, space, pattern, colour, contrast, composition, proportion and perspective. Our school's locality in Ashby de la Zouch will be utilised, with planned opportunities for learning outside the classroom, as well as the involvement of adults with specialist skills from the local and wider community. Ashby Castle and the various Elizabethan and Georgian buildings, will play a prominent role in our Art Curriculum at Ashby Hastings. Enrichment days will be planned each year to supplement curriculum time.

Impact

Within art and design, we will strive to instil an appreciation and enjoyment of the arts. Children will use the ideas, knowledge and skill they have acquired, through this curriculum, to create their own works of art, craft and design whilst gaining enjoyment from self-expression. The opportunity for children to refine and develop their techniques over time will be supported by effective lesson sequencing and progression between year groups. This will also support children in achieving age related expectations at the end of their cohort year. Children will be keen to learn new skills and work hard to perfect those shown to them. The children's art will very often be cross-curricular. Our Art and Design curriculum will give children the confidence to express their feelings and emotions through art, as well as show case their knowledge and understanding in other subjects such as History, Geography and Science.