









ST. OSWALD'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Art Catch Up Curriculum Vision

At St Oswald's Catholic Primary School, we aim to inspire children to use Art to express themselves through drawing, colour, pattern and sculpture. We work hard to make our Art curriculum creative, relevant and varied so that children can learn about painters, sculptors, architects and designers from all over the world and be inspired by artists from every walk of life. We want our children to understand that Art can be used to express our own personal feelings and stories and also be reflective of global environmental, political and social issues. The current global situation has allowed artists from all over the world to tell stories and send messages of hope through Art, and we want to give our children the same opportunity.

As a result of the national lockdown, there will be gaps in children's Art knowledge and skills which will need to be supported and carefully planned for. We have taken the time to informally assess children's confidence within the subject, as well as their colour and sketching abilities during wellbeing sessions, and staff feedback has helped us to identify the knowledge and skills that need addressing in order to support them to continue their learning. During the first half term of this academic year, teaching staff will ensure that any gaps in learning will be addressed, planned for and delivered during 'Art Week', wherein each year group will dedicate a full day to filling any gaps in the children's learning. The missing skills fall into three main skill groups — Texture, Sculpture and Textiles. Our usual planning follows the sequence INSPIRE — SKILL — FINAL PRODUCT and so each Art Day day will also follow this structure;

- Inspire (start of the day until break)
- Skill (break until lunch)
- Final Product (whole afternoon)

The aim of each Art Day is to allow the children to explore and be inspired by artists and architects, take time to practise and develop key skills and then use these skills to produce a final product which will be displayed on our Virtual Art Gallery. By the end

of Art Week, every child will have been given the opportunity to catch up and develop the skills they will need to succeed in the coming year's Art curriculum.