



Art and Design

Purpose of study

“Art, craft and design embody some of the highest forms of human creativity. A high-quality art and design education should engage, inspire and challenge pupils, equipping them with the knowledge and skills to experiment, invent and create their own works of art, craft and design. As pupils progress, they should be able to think critically and develop a more rigorous understanding of art and design. They should also know how art and design both reflect and shape our history, and contribute to the culture, creativity and wealth of our nation.”

National Curriculum 2014

Walkergate Community School's Values

We know that Art and Design allows every child to enhance and broaden their understanding of both themselves and the world that surrounds them. At Walkergate Community School we encourage pupils to be able to enjoy producing a range of art work using high quality resources. Through their primary education they will have regular opportunities to experience real life art, visit local galleries and work alongside artists. We feel that this is essential to extend knowledge, as well as helping to nurture their cultural awareness and appreciation of art across an ever evolving society. We also recognize the importance the arts has on empowering our pupils to express themselves and to celebrate with others.

Aims

The National Curriculum for Art and Design aims to ensure that all pupils:

- produce creative work, exploring ideas and recording their experiences
- become proficient in drawing, painting, sculpture 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

Subject Content

Key Stage 1

Pupils should be taught:

- to use a range of materials creatively to design and make products
- to use drawing, painting and sculpture to develop and share their ideas, experiences and imagination
- to develop a wide range of art and design techniques in using colour, pattern, texture, line, shape, form and space
- about the work of a range of artists, craft makers and designers, describing the differences and similarities between different practices and disciplines, and making links to their own work.

Key Stage 2

Pupils should be taught to develop their techniques, including their control and their use of materials, with creativity, experimentation and an increasing awareness of different kinds of art, craft and design.

Pupils should be taught:

- to create sketch books to record their observations and use them to review and revisit ideas
- to improve their mastery of art and design techniques, including drawing, painting and sculpture with a range of materials
- about great artists, architects and designers in history.