Intent:

What do we want children to learn?

At St Leonard's we enable children to experience, Art and DT through independent and cross curricular topics. The children have the opportunity to make a range of creations/ representations that fascinate them and spark imagination so that our children's innate sense of creativity is valued and excites them. These processes encourage problem-solving skills, both as individuals and in groups, which can be applied to real life contexts. Our high-quality Art and DT education develops our drivers of resilience, perseverance, enquiry and respect.

Art & DT in a Nutshell



ST Leonard's CE Primary Academy

What Art and DT looks like at ST Leonard's CE Primary Academy…

At St Leonard's we aim to involve all children within a creative process, experimenting with a range of materials and mediums in order to spur their imagination and widen their understanding of how art is created. They will be taught vital key skills which will progress as they move through the school. They will produce art in different forms: painting, drawing and sculpture and reflect on their own and their peer's artwork. The children will also become aware of a range of artists from around the world.

Design and Technology requires pupils to apply knowledge and skills to solve practical problems. It involves identifying a need, generating design ideas, planning, making and appraising. Children will learn how to take risks and become more resourceful through the use of trial and error, evaluating and editing their work. These are essential skills for our pupils to develop as they prepare to take their place as adults in society.

Implementation:

The teaching and implementation of Art and Design and Design and Technology is based on our Cornerstones curriculum, which provides a clear progression of knowledge and skills across our two-year rolling curriculum.

In Design and Technology, children are given opportunities to design, make and evaluate products for real-life purposes. They develop their technical knowledge and practical skills through a range of projects, using appropriate tools, materials and techniques. Children are encouraged to develop their ideas, solve problems and evaluate and improve their designs.

In Art and Design, children explore a range of artists, styles, materials and techniques through the Cornerstones units. They develop their creativity and confidence by experimenting, practising and refining their skills. Children are encouraged to record their ideas, respond to the work of artists and use their own ideas and imagination to create their own artwork.

Across both subjects, children are given opportunities to explore, create, evaluate and develop their skills, with learning adapted to meet the needs of our mixed-age classes and pupils.

Impact:

On leaving ST Leonard's CE Primary Academy children will:

The children at our school will have the experience of learning about colours, textures and the work of various artists. They will be passionate about creating items for a given purpose and will be able to evaluate their own work, based on a given criteria.