

Castledyke Curriculum Intent for Art and Design

It is our belief that children at Castledyke should have a broad and balanced curriculum that gives them the skills and knowledge they need to become respectful, resilient, empathetic citizens, who will have the opportunities to thrive. Our art curriculum is designed to expose students to a wide range of artists, skills and knowledge. Our aim is to equip learners with the knowledge and skills they need to develop their own style of art and to be reflective learners.

Our desire is that through our curriculum, we will inspire children to have high aspirations of themselves in order to be as successful as they can be. In art we achieve this by allowing children the opportunity to reflect, annotate and improve their own work.

We have ensured that diversity and inclusivity thread through the curriculum, giving children a wide range of experiences. In art we do this by exposing the children to a a diverse range of artists and their work. We have a range of artistic experiences local to us that we aim to explore.

The art curriculum is based on 3 parts; exploration of materials, learning new skills and applying this knowledge to create a piece of art in the style of an artist. Empathy and emotional resilience are key to our curriculum and we want our children to become well-rounded individuals, which is why we have a holistic approach to education, developing the whole child. Our curriculum is linked to our four key areas of development:

Successful	Ready
Respectful	Safe

All children are successful by:

- Developing the artistic skills and knowledge they learn and being able to apply this to create a piece of artwork
- Being able to reflect on their own work and that of their peers
- Being able to express their own style and ideas
- Exploring potential careers and jobs

All children are ready for lifelong learning by:

- Developing confidence in developing their own ideas
- Developing independence and resilience
- Being able to work in a team

All children are respectful by:

- Developing kindness, empathy and compassion
- Celebrating diversity and inclusivity
- Being culturally aware of their community and world
- Understanding the importance of being a good citizen

All children are safe by:

- Developing oracy and communication skills
- Learning to accept and value the differences of others
- Understanding mutually respectful relationships and managing conflict