Art and Design at St Matthew's

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Art and Design contributes to the development of the whole child emotionally, aesthetically, physically, socially and cognitively. It provides all children with the opportunity to express themselves imaginatively, creatively and develop their understanding of, and respond to the world around them. Pupils are exposed to many visual, tactile and sensory experiences.

St Matthew's C of E Primary School enables pupils to become involved in, enjoy and appreciate the visual arts and how it can enrich their personal lives. They learn the part that art and design plays in their own and others' lives, in contemporary life and in different times and cultures. The children learn about a wide range of artists, craft makers and designers and use this as an inspiration to their own work. They learn key skills within art that they can then apply and use creatively across the whole curriculum.

Our aims in teaching Art and Design are that all pupils will:

- Produce creative work, exploring their 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.