

Seek, Believe & Achieve in ART

We believe that art and design is a vital and engaging part of the Speen School curriculum; we foster a love of art, stimulate creativity, imagination and inventiveness, enhancing our children's well-being.

Intent

The art and design curriculum at Speen School will enable children to develop an understanding of their own and others' cultures through studying a range of artists and media, providing opportunities for our children to respond and enjoy, expressing their ideas, feelings and imagination.

Implementation

Pupils are given opportunities to develop a wide variety of skills in art and design across a series of lessons. Skills and knowledge are developed throughout the school following our progressive skills map.

At Speen School, children are given the opportunity to develop drawing, painting, printmaking, collage, 3D, textiles, photography and digital skills. Children's work is inspired and closely linked to the work of a range of artists, (craft makers and designers). In Early Years, children are given the opportunity to enjoy and explore all these skills so that on entering KS1, they are ready to create sketchbooks which record their observations, ideas and interests.

Impact

The art and design curriculum followed at Speen School fosters pupils' knowledge of artists, craft makers and designers, as well as the historical and cultural development of their art forms. It is expected that this understanding is evident in their own work.

The children, through exploration of the world around them, will use the vocabulary they have been given, to support discussion, evaluation and an analytic approach to their creative work.

The school environment will celebrate children's achievements in art and design and demonstrate the subject's high status in the school.

Children will become more proficient in drawing, painting, sculpture and other art, craft and design techniques during their time at Speen School, alongside a love of art and increased confidence to try and develop new skills.