

The member of staff responsible for Art and Design is Mrs Edmonds.

### **What?**

As a school, we believe that access to a high-quality Art and Design curriculum is every child's right. Our Art and Design curriculum is carefully planned so that children acquire the necessary knowledge and skills to fly as high as they can using a range of media and the visual elements of art and design (line, tone, texture, colour, pattern, shape, 3D form) to successfully create their own unique drawings, painting, sculptures and crafts. We want our children to see the enjoyment and satisfaction in the process of producing art.

Our Art and Design curriculum develops vocabulary and communication skills through critical discussion about artistic techniques as well as how art can make people feel. We aim to inspire others and instill an innate appreciation of art by providing access to the best artists and designers. We use art to make our pupils aware of different cultures around the world and to find out about how different civilizations have lived in the past. To further develop cultural capital, we use our art curriculum to expose pupils to enrichment experiences such as visits to art galleries.

### **How Dovecotes Primary School's Art and Design curriculum promotes our core values:**

**Be Ambitious** - To aim to meet the highest of expectations, having pride in our work and creations taking inspiration from the works of the best artists and designers.

**Be Honest** - To be truthful when expressing an opinion about our work and the work of others, being a critical friend about what is good and what is needed to improve further, knowing when to stop when we are satisfied with our creations.

**Be Kind** - To offer respectful opinions and thoughts on our own work and the work of others, understanding that there is no right or wrong and there are many ways of interpreting artwork.

**Be Creative** - To be original and innovative when using art as a medium to express our individual creativity without the need to be perfect. To use problem-solving and critical thinking skills to decide what art form will help to achieve our goal.

**Be Brave** - To have-a-go, build resilience, gain confidence and challenge ourselves even if we find art activities difficult knowing that there is no right or wrong way to create a piece of art and that it is okay to make mistakes along the journey.

**Be Healthy** - To know that art can be used to keep our minds active and healthy which helps benefit our mental well-being as a means to relax, express emotions and escape reality.