

ST. DOMINIC'S  
PRIORY SCHOOL

### POLICY FOR THE ARTS

At St. Dominic's Priory School, we aim to provide students:

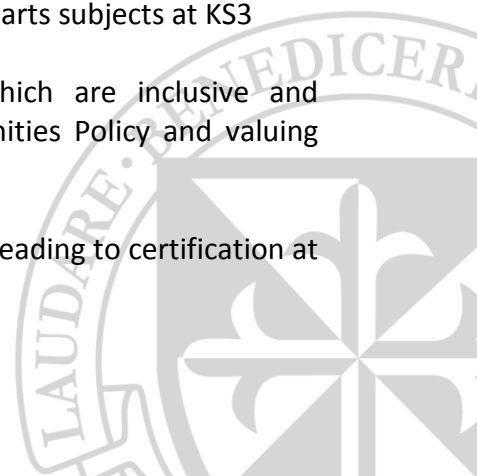
1. with opportunities to engage in the arts as makers, performers, exhibitors and as spectators
2. with opportunities to progress in being able to create, present, perform, respond to and make critical judgements about the arts
3. with opportunities for the development of those transferable life skills that arise from successful arts education, such as the creative use of imagination and considered risk taking, cooperation and tenacity
4. with arts experiences that recognise, value and promote cultural identities – differences and commonalities.
5. with an arts programme that includes art and design, music, dance and drama, both within and beyond curriculum time.

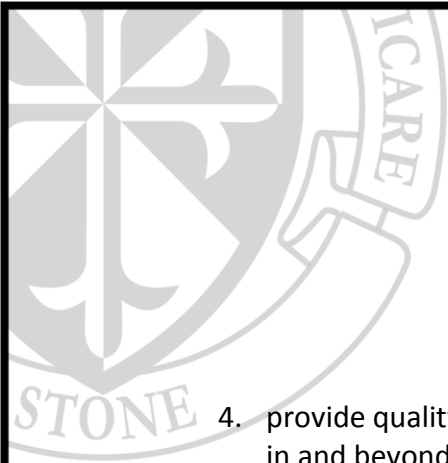
To achieve our aims we will:

1. provide each of the art forms (art and design, dance, drama and music) as part of the core curriculum at Key Stages 1, 2 and 3 with minimum curriculum time for each subject as follows:

Key Stage	Art and Design	Music	Dance	Drama
1	54 hours	54 hours	15 hours	18 hours
2	54 hours	54 hours	15 hours	18 hours
3	54 hours	54 hours	15 hours	18 hours

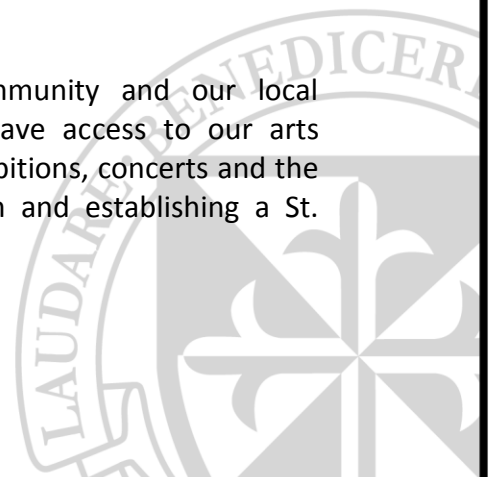
1. offer all students the opportunity to take up to three arts subjects at KS3
2. provide educational opportunities in the arts which are inclusive and accessible in line with the school's Equal Opportunities Policy and valuing cultural diversity
3. encourage students to take at least one arts subject leading to certification at KS4

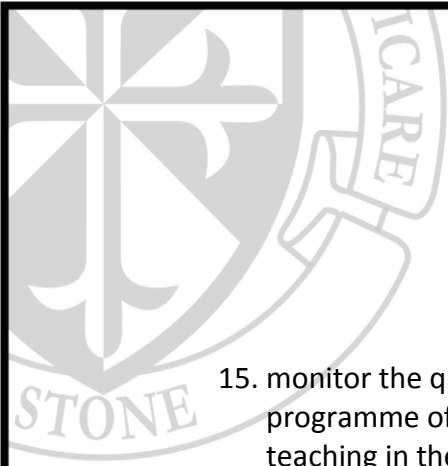




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4. provide quality provision in a broad and balanced range of accepted art forms in and beyond curriculum time
5. recruit high quality arts specialist teachers for each of our arts subjects
6. seek to provide high quality facilities and resources for teaching and learning in each of the art forms
7. provide opportunities for our students to have leadership opportunities through the arts and to influence what is included in our provision for example, through the School Council
8. seek to provide a rich variety of other regular opportunities in the arts for those who do not choose to take an arts subject at KS4
9. provide students with regular opportunities to experience the work of professional artists through visits to arts organisations, workshops with artists and other partnerships at each key stage
10. use systematically, regularly planned opportunities provided by the arts for students to know and to celebrate the range of world cultures that are reflected in the arts using local, national and international resources
11. provide students with access to weekly enjoyable arts activities during out of school hours
12. provide advice/guidance on arts related careers/ employment and further and higher educational opportunities
13. recognise the value of the transferable skills arising from successful arts education – the creative use of imagination and considered risk, cooperation, tenacity and flexibility
14. provide opportunities for the wider school community and our local neighbourhood community to both inform and have access to our arts programme through performances, workshops, exhibitions, concerts and the internet, offering at least one of these each term and establishing a St. Dominic's Priory School Community Arts Programme





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15. monitor the quality of provision in the arts regularly and provide a systematic programme of staff development to ensure students experience high quality teaching in the arts throughout the school
16. Celebrate the work of all students throughout the key stages across the school through regularly updated displays of artwork
17. review our policy every 2 years.

***Reviewed by: RH/RD***

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