

## STOKE NEWINGTON SCHOOL

### ARTS POLICY

#### Mission

To be an excellent comprehensive community school, with a strong emphasis in the area of Media Arts.

To be a community which works together to ensure all students are inspired, and empowered, to achieve their full potential.

#### Aims

To raise standards of achievement across all the art forms through the increased quality of teaching and learning.

To extend the curricular and extra-curricular opportunities available for all students to be enriched by arts experiences.

To develop creative approaches to teaching across all non-arts subjects, in particular through the application of new media and ICT.

To engage with the wider school community in order to provide a range of high quality learning experiences in the arts, in particular with both linked schools and arts partners.

To provide opportunities for the school community to celebrate its artistic achievements in their fullest diversity, as a means of encouraging students to realise their potential.

#### Objectives

In order to achieve these aims, we will strive to ensure that during their school life every student experiences the following:

- The opportunity to study at least 2 media arts subjects at KS4 and be fully prepared for opportunities at post-16.
- Being excited, inspired and challenged by the arts curriculum, which will draw on students' own cultural experiences but also include exposure to a wide range of current professional practice.
- Developing an understanding of historical and cultural development in the different art forms, with the school's teaching practice having referenced these sources as an integral part of our pedagogy.
- Build and develop appropriate skills and become more aware of the opportunities and careers that exist in the creative industries, through development of creative partnerships with creative professionals and creative organisations.
- Having their creative output celebrated by the whole school community through regular and accessible performance and display opportunities.
- The opportunity to enrich interest in the arts and build creative self-expression through participation in relevant out-of-hours experiences.

- Being taught by teachers who have had opportunities to develop subject skills and understanding through working with arts organisations and individuals, and through relevant internal and external training.
- Never be prevented from studying a chosen arts subject or participating in an available arts project through a lack of teachers, rooms or equipment, and that all these resources are of a consistently high standard.

Signed by Chair of Committee:.....

Date signed:.....

Date of Review:.....