



At St Andrew's



Implementation

- Whilst part of PE dance is delivered through a cross curricular topic approach where the subject is incorporated into the topic's learning journey.
- Children are expected to be reflective and evaluate their work, thinking about how they can make changes and keep improving. Children are encouraged to take risks and experiment and then reflect on why some ideas and techniques are successful or not for a particular performance.
- During a school year children engage in a variety of dance projects that either enhance topics or offer a wider experience. This includes workshops provided by visiting dancers, class assemblies and performances and participation in Arts Week; including Strictly Come St. Andrew's. Some events involve parents in a supportive way or to celebrate learning.
- Performance is also encouraged when the children perform in St. Andrew's Got Talent, this allows the children to express themselves in a way they feel confident that is not linked to classroom learning.
 - Assessment for dance is carried out against a progressive set of statements covering the knowledge and skills laid out in the National Curriculum for PE under the headings: Choreography, Performance and Evaluation.

Intent

At St Andrew's pupils, through dance, develop a love for performing and understand that anyone can be a performer which in turn raises their aspirations and enables children to grow in confidence and courage. Specialist tuition alongside quality classroom teaching equips children with skills and knowledge to express themselves individually and in groups through dance. Children are exposed to quality performers within the curriculum and positive role models both locally, nationally and further afield and incorporate their learning from these artists into their own work.

Impact

We know Dance is impactful when our children demonstrate high levels of engagement and creativity in lessons and demonstrate progression in the varied skills and techniques taught. They also become more aware of the influence of famous dancers and are inspired by their performances using it to express their own ideas.