

## SHINE E17

SHINE in E17 offers 60 places for children in Years 3, 4, 5 and 6 from St Mary's, St Saviour's and Stoneydown Park Primary schools. Our project gives children the opportunity to participate in creative, hands-on learning on a Saturday from 9am until 2pm on 30 Saturday's throughout the year. The premise behind the scheme is to deliver a programme of activities that embrace the school's drive in raising attainment and educational standards from a creative perspective. The curriculum is distinctive from, but complementary to that done at school during the regular school week. Maximal impact is expected to be most observable in pupils who have attended regularly and therefore attendance is a key aspect in the parental agreement. Most of the staff working with the children are permanent members of staff from St Saviour's and St Mary's primary, which extends and enhances the close links between families, school and SHINE.

We aim to offer new experiences and to broaden horizons; our children have access to high quality teaching in small focussed groups and our data shows that the children who attend regularly will enjoy success. Your children will be exposed to exciting and innovative ways of learning through practical experiences and project based teaching. We aim to raise your child's standards and expectations, increase esteem and help them to become confident independent learners.

Our project is in its fifth year and we are looking forward to build on our success, year on year. We are currently working on our 'Around the World' topic that has taken us from Japan to Australia and from Ghana to Brazil. We have spent two weeks focussing on each country looking at the history, some interesting facts and in our creative session we have looks at arts and crafts specific to that country including Aboriginal artwork, Kente cloth design and carnival masks. We will celebrate the end of term with a visit from The Cat's Grin Theatre group and a special end of term party.



Children working on some Kente cloth inspired printing

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