



## Schools Information Pack 2018

*'Connecting creativity and innovation through Craft'*

**CRAFTed** is the Design & Crafts Council of Ireland's Primary School Visual Arts based educational programme. It promotes learning through creativity and innovation, placing professional craftspeople to work alongside teachers in primary schools.

It focuses on integrated learning methodologies through the Visual Arts Curriculum, using a process-led methodology that focuses on the child's own creativity.

**CRAFTed** is being developed and delivered in partnership with the full-time Education Centres (ATECI) across the Republic of Ireland

### The key elements about CRAFTed

- Programme is based on sound education principles aimed at developing a creative, process led collaborative programme between teachers, students and craftspeople
- Building skills through collaboratively based continuous professional development programmes for teachers and craftspeople
- Delivering an active programme in schools, focusing on supporting integrated learning in the Visual Arts, (VA) and Social, Environmental and Scientific Education (SESE) curricula at primary level.
- Emphasis on craft based skills that utilize and reinforce numeracy & literacy skills
- Facilitates a continuum of learning through the development of web-based resources accessible to both teachers and craftspeople.  
[www.learncraftdesign.com](http://www.learncraftdesign.com)

## **Design & Crafts Council of Ireland's Practitioners Education Panel – Who are they?**

- All members of the Design & Crafts Council of Ireland's Education Panel are professional craftspeople across a variety of visual arts and crafts disciplines with their own studio practice. All members attend training days; designed to focus on the aims and objects of craft based educational workshops
- Child Protection training for all education panel selected to take part in the programme
- A collaborative planning evening where participating teachers and craftspeople meet to discuss their forthcoming projects
- The focus on collaborative training for teachers and craftspeople is key to the development of working partnerships between artists, craftspeople and primary school teachers as part of CRAFTed.

### **CRAFTed 2018- how it works**

This years CRAFTed programme will take place in the 2018 Spring and Summer Term. All Primary Schools will have the opportunity to **apply** to participate in Crafted, which will run in approximately 70 schools countrywide

### **CRAFTed 2018- how to apply**

To register your interest for CRAFTed 2018 complete application form and send to your local education centre [www.ateci.ie](http://www.ateci.ie)

Please see the [CRAFTed website](#) with further details on how to apply.

# CRAFTed 2018- what you need to know

## Costs

### Finance

- Each school is asked to contribute **€250** towards the cost of the programme. Education Centres will invoice selected schools for the €250
- Materials budget to be agreed by school and craftspeople in advance of the project starting and as part of the collaborative planning evening  
**Guidelines for materials spend is €100 to €150**
- The type of projects and number of students involved will have a direct effect on the cost of materials

## Time Frame

### Contact Hours

- The on-site programme in schools is for **ten contact** hours to take place between **February to May 2018**
- Teachers and Craftspeople should allow time after each session for feedback and planning. (Templates will be provided)
- Sessions will be timetabled to suit participating teachers and craftspeople. These dates will be set at the Collaborative Planning Session.
- CRAFTed Showcase event to take place in local Education Centres in May.

## Dates and Attendance

If your school is selected it is **compulsory** that the participating teacher is available for the planning events and dates below

- Teacher who attends CRAFTed **Information & Planning Session** (February) must be the teacher who rolls out the project.
- Showcase Event (May)  
(Exact Dates & Times TBD)

For more information on CRAFTed go to  
<http://www.dccoi.ie/learners/primary/crafted>