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Art Ambassadors' learning review

We are pleased to share with you our January edition of our Creative Arts newsletter.

These newsletters are designed to give you information about the fabulous Arts learning taking place in our school and to celebrate the achievements of our children.

Please read on to find out more about what each year group have been learning about this half term.

December update

2022 ended with some excellent musical performances from our children. EYFS and KS1 performed their wonderful Christmas shows. The children had so much fun rehearsing for this and performing for their families. Well done to all involved!

It was also wonderful to see so many families attending our 'Carols around the Tree' event on the last day of term. The children were delighted to sing some Christmas songs for you and it was lovely to hear you all joining in too!



Finally, well done to Year 4 who performed alongside the Midland Sinfonia orchestra at St Laurence Church, just before Christmas. The orchestra were very proud of you, and so are we!

What have our Early Years classes been learning about in Art?

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Nursery and Reception, our children have been creating Winter inspired art. They have been cutting and sticking different materials to make the shape of wintery trees. They have also been learning about cool colours, such as blue, and have learnt how to create different tints using white and black.

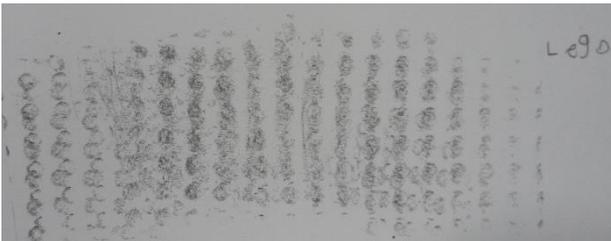
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What have Year 1 been learning about in Art?

Since we have returned to school, our Year 1 children have been learning about printing techniques. They have already explored rub printing using a range of classroom resources and are now going to be designing some dinosaur footprints, which they can use to print in next week's art lesson. We look forward to seeing what they create!



What have Year 2 been learning about in Art?

This term, our Year 2 children have been learning about David Hockney. They began by researching his work and finding out about the techniques and mediums he uses. They then analysed his work in more detail, by commenting on the use of colour and light and dark shading. This week they have been experimenting with various mediums to recreate one of Hockney's famous pieces. They will be moving on to planning and creating their own art work in David's style. It has been lovely to see how engaged the children are in their art lessons this term.



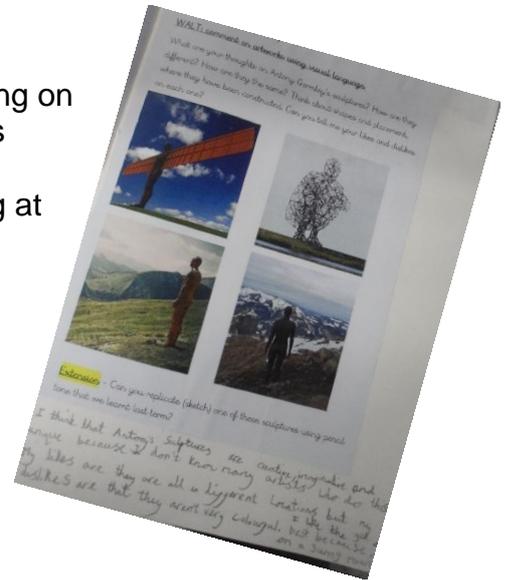
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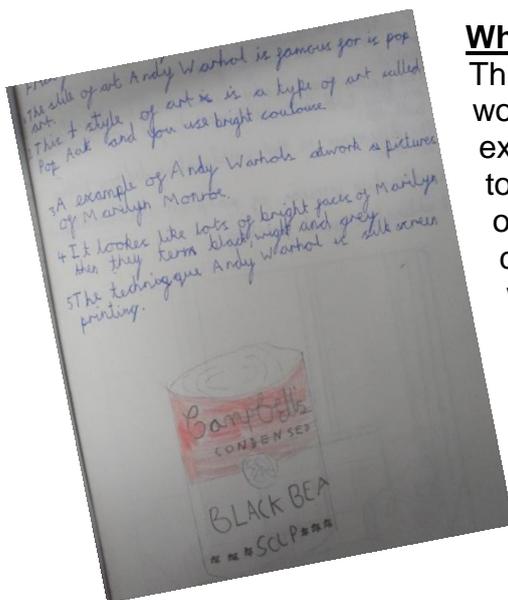
What have Year 3 been learning about in Art?

Over the last couple of weeks, Year 3 have been focussing on sculpture. They will be exploring how to create sculptures using clay, pottery and ceramics. Their focus artist is Anthony Gormley and they have specifically been looking at ancient Roman pottery. It's been lovely to hear the children talk about various techniques, such as firing, rolling, kneading, wedging and forming.



What have Year 4 been learning about in Art?

This month, our Year 4 children have been learning about the work of Andy Warhol and Roy Lichtenstein. They are exploring how these artists made use of printing techniques to produce their art work. The children have also commented on the use of colour and the Pop Art techniques that they create. They will be building up to creating their own art work in a pop art style.



Choir update

Mrs Taylor has been thrilled to see so many of our children attending choir since it began. She meets with Key Stage 2 children first on a Friday lunch time, then the Key Stage 1 children join her. The children have been so engaged and have even chosen our repertoire of songs! We can't wait to perform to you later in the year. More information on this will follow in due course. If your child has not signed up for choir but would like to come along, please ask them to mention this to their class teacher. There's always room for more! 😊