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Summer Term Week 2: Art Week



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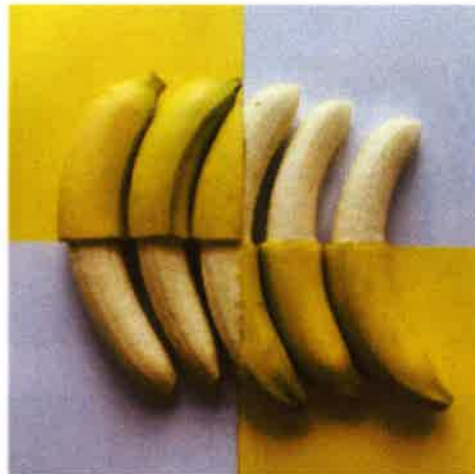
Dear Families,

Welcome to Art Week! You will not need to buy any resources or rely on a well - stocked arts cupboard as this project simply involves creativity and searching for inspiration within objects in your home.

We have three exciting projects for you to try - feel free to have a go at all of them, or to choose the one which most excites you and your child(ren). As you will see, they can be done by anyone (age 2-102!) and the sky's the limit in terms of your creativity. We cannot wait to see the artistic creations that you design. Please send them to us via Facebook or email through the office dunsford@lapsw.org . We can't wait to enjoy your masterpieces and share them together as a school community. Maybe some of the staff will also have a go!

Project 1: art inspired by Tony Cragg

We are fortunate to have used the expertise of a parent within our wider Trust of schools, who is a secondary school arts teacher and has prepared a simple project on a PowerPoint to inspire you in the artistic works of the German artist Tony Cragg. Tony Cragg is one of the world's foremost sculptors.



This artist arranges everyday objects into oddly satisfying patterns ...

Constantly pushing to find new relations between people and the material world, there is no limit to the materials he might use, as there are no limits to the ideas or forms, he might conceive. The artist Tony Cragg has worked on lots of different forms of artwork and sculptures. He works with lots of different materials, depending on how that material feels or looks he will decide what he will make from it. One of the things he is famous for is working with found objects and arranging them into shapes.

Your task in this mini project is to create your own pieces of artwork. You need to arrange groups of manufactured objects (things that have been made by someone) from around

your house and arrange them in patterns or groups of colour so they look interesting, just like Tony Cragg or Andy Goldsworthy does with natural objects.

You will need to:

- 1) Think about what you want to do. Are you going to collect certain colours or shapes? Are you going to arrange different objects? Will you make a pattern or arrange them to look like something else?
- 2) You could make a collage of ideas and sketch them out first!
- 3) Collect objects from around your house (remember where you found them so you can put them back afterwards). If you use food, make sure you can still eat it afterwards!
- 4) Arrange objects in an empty space with a plain background, if possible. You could make it a family project and get other people in your household to help too!
- 5) Have fun, be creative and take pictures as you go!
- 6) Once you have made your artwork, you can take final photos, show everyone and be PROUD!
- 7) You are welcome to make more than one. We have included some examples below to get your minds inspired!

Inspiration boards:





Project 2: art inspired by Jane Perkins



Look at this picture - is it familiar to you?

Look again - this time REALLY closely! What do you notice about it?

Just like Tony Cragg, Jane Perkins, the artist you see in the photograph below, uses everyday objects to create art, only this time, she recreates world famous masterpieces! She explains:



"I use anything of the right size, shape or colour: toys, shells, buttons, beads, jewellery, curtain hooks, springs etc. No colour is added - everything is used exactly 'as found'."



We are thrilled and delighted to let you know that we got in contact with Jane to tell her about this special Art Week for you to have a go at home and she said, *'I'd love to be involved!'* She will be looking at our schools' Facebook pages during Art Week to have a look at the artwork photographs of your creations that you post on there. This is very exciting indeed, as we are sure you will agree. So, get crafting and show Jane the amazing artistic sparks of creativity we know you have!

Jane has the following message for pupils right across the LAP...

'Since I was a small child, I have always loved drawing and making things. I love Art which is fun - fun to create and fun to look at.'

For the past few years I have been making pictures from found materials, creating well known images from unexpected items. I use toys and broken jewellery, buttons and any other small items.

Here is your chance to have fun with your school art project. Be creative. What could you make using things found in your house or garden?

You don't need to stick anything down - just arrange the things and get someone in the family to take a photo. How about a picture of a car made from lots of toy cars? Or a famous work of art

recreated in lego?

You could watch some old episodes of Art Attack on YouTube for inspiration and make a giant picture in the garden. Use garden tools, kitchen utensils, all the family's socks....

Or dress up with your family and recreate a famous work of art - get someone to take a photo.

Have fun planning this with your family - I can't wait to see the ideas you come up with!

Your task in this mini project is to create your own pieces of artwork, just as before. You need to arrange groups of manufactured objects (things that have been made by someone) from around your house and arrange them to look like a famous painting or picture. You could even have a go at making a collage of the school crest on your school jumper!

Project 3: design a 'Drive Carefully' poster for Dunsford Village (in collaboration with Dunsford Parish Council)

The Parish Council and school are working together to create some posters to remind everyone to *drive carefully* and *take care* through our beautiful village. Very sadly, several animals have been killed on our roads recently, and we need to remind everyone to take care as they drive and to keep to the speed limits.

We would like the children to design a poster (which must be **A4 portrait**) to remind people of this very important message. The winner/winners will receive a small prize (provided by the parish council) and their posters will be displayed on key roads into the village.

Top tips when designing the poster:

- 1) Make the image or design eye-catching for drivers. Keeping it simple normally works best!
- 2) Keep the message simple and easy to read - remember, people will be driving when they see this! It needs to be clear, short and to the point! Things like this work well:
'Take care in our village!' 'Please drive safely!' 'Think of others and slow down!' 'Slow down to save lives!'

Please take a photo of your design and email it to the school at dunsford@lapsw.org by **Monday 27th April at 10am**. Keep your original design safe, and when we reopen we will ask everyone to bring them in. Please ask the children not to include their names on the front of the posters. Thank you.

Examples of similar posters to inspire you:



Once again, as part of a wider community of schools, we would like to reassure you that there is no expectation from our Trust of 'home education' in its strict sense and although we have provided each child with guidelines and examples of what learning could look like at home, there is no pressure for you to submit work or sit for hours of the day teaching your children curriculum objectives. At the moment, schools have been repurposed. Once they return to their full function, every child in the nation will be in the same position and we will, as a school, then provide a curriculum that supports your child. For now, we would like to give you the opportunity to engage in some creativity and exploration. Until schools are back to normal, we will be giving you subject based themed weeks which will include art, science, design and technology, wellbeing, geography, and maths.

Have fun!

Best wishes,

The Dunsford Team