

Art Club Cafe

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In this post AccessArt contributor and Art Lead Anna Campbell takes her class on a creative culinary journey, using a range of making techniques to create a modelled cafe.



This project was made with children from Years 3-6 (ages 7-11). I wanted to create a term of sessions using and exploring textures, and to give the children the opportunity to work with lots of different media. I decided that an Art Club Cafe would be an awesome idea.

Notes for Teachers

• What age range is this activity aimed at?

Year 3 - Year 6 (Ages 7-11). Due to the nature of some of the skills involved (sewing, cutting fabric) it would be more of a challenge for early years - but some processes could be replaced with using paint and drawing, making it more accessible to younger groups.

• What processes and skills does it use?

- Observational drawing
- Sculpting skills
- Design through making
- Creating textures and patterns with clay
- Cutting, measuring and joining fabric
- Experimenting with colours

• What materials will I need?

For the doughnuts:

Mod roc

Newspaper

Round dish sponges (optional)

For the boiled egg and soldiers:

Egg shells

Plaster of Paris

Sponges

Paint

For the burger pots:

Air dry clay

Tempera paint

For the pizzas:

Scrap material
Felt
Quilt wadding
Fabric glue
Sewing thread and needles

Sketchbooks or Watercolour paper
Watercolours

To paint a picnic:

Large plain sheet
Watercolours and inks
Picnic food!

For the exhibition (optional):

Cheap burger boxes and paper sheets
Pizza boxes
Egg cups

• How long will the activity take?

A terms' worth of sessions.

11 sessions at 1 hour each and 1 hour for the exhibition

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