Sketchbook Journey At Haslingfield Primary School

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Katherine Woodard has been teaching Art and Design for over 20 years and is currently the KS2 Coordinator of Art at Haslingfield School. Katherine specialised in Fine Art at university and has carried this experience with her throughout her teaching career, encouraging her students to nurture their creativity through the use of sketchbooks. In this post Katherine talks about a sketchbook journey and the importance of students using their sketchbooks to record inspirations, experiments and creative growth.



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"The sentiment behind this resource idea is lovely and it provides an opportunity to really develop some fine motor skills as well as independence of approach. Taking ownership of the medal design means the sense of achievement is heightened beyond the children just being given one. You can

really imagine the positive energy that would surround this activity within a classroom, with each child working on a shared project but embarking on their own creative journey." - Rachel, AccessArt

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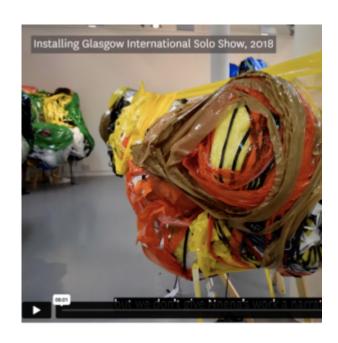
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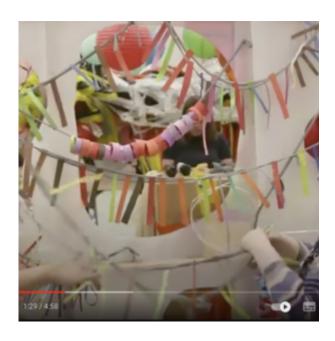
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"It's great to see music being explored in this way, and combining it with making creates a really interesting immersive project. This activity would work well as part of an extended project looking at musical instruments around the world and some of the natural materials they are made from." — Rachel, AccessArt

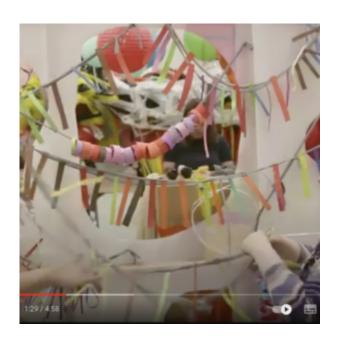
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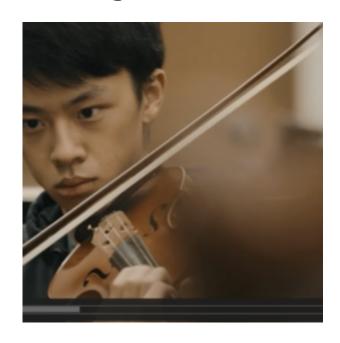
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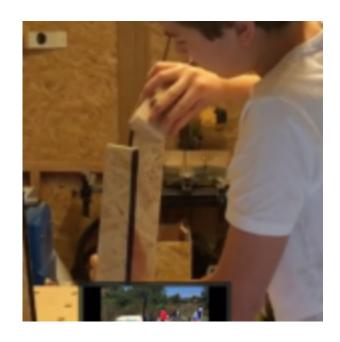
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"You can get a real sense of the environment in this post and how this could provide so much inspiration for creative projects. We are aware there the challenges to exploring the outdoors when many schools are in towns and cities. A way around this could be to have a regular collection of natural objects within the classroom and using them as a stimulus to respond creatively in sketchbooks or in extended projects" — Andrea, AccessArt

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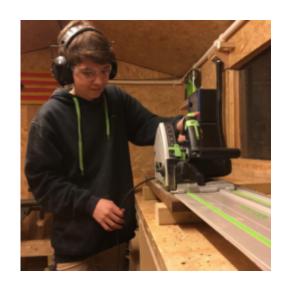
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"It's lovely to see a resource that centres on a particular material and the scope it offers. I particularly like how the dogwood is used here to make wooden beads. This idea could be developed further by looking at how wood has been used to make jewelry throughout history and within many different cultures." — Rachel, AccessArt.

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"There's a really fun element to this activity which is you can imagine all children really enjoying! The idea of food on large scale is a great starter for a sculpture project and an early exploration of working in 3D. What's really positive to see in this project is how the children used their sketchbooks to design their ice creams prior to working in 3D. They then had the opportunity to re visit and refine their ideas as they worked. This provides a sold foundation for the concept of design development and design through making- both of which underpin any visual arts or design project or profession. For more support on how to develop sketchbook practice in your setting please see our Sketchbook Journey" -Rachel, AccessArt

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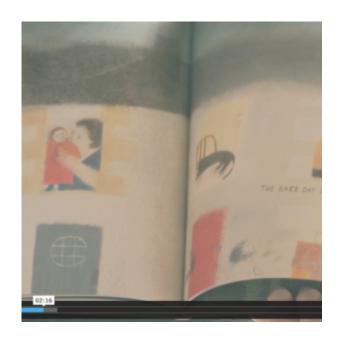
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