

Christmas craft along!

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Craft along with us! - you will need:

- Squares of paper, coloured, plain - doesn't matter!
- Double-sided tape or glue stick
- Watercolour paints, brushes, water pot, white cartridge paper.
- Scissors

Optional (If you have these items to hand, grab if you can!)

- Baking paper
- Old books that are falling apart and ready for the bin!
- Paper bags (8 the same size)

Our aims for today

- To showcase our Christmas lessons
- To give you an art/craft activity for EYFS, KS1, KS2, with tips to adapt and try other variations to suit your class.
- To provide opportunities to join in!
- To share ideas for classroom decorations and other creative activities during the festive season.

Christmas lessons

Our Christmas lessons are an adaptation from a lesson within the scheme and can be found as option two in the unit hubs, or on our [Christmas collection page](#).

- [Year 1: Drawing: Lesson 3: Experimenting with media](#)
- [Year 2: Painting: Lesson 4: Making collage](#) *
- [Year 3: Sculpture and 3D: Lesson 2: Constructing in 3D](#) *
- [Year 4: Painting: Lesson 1: Tints and shades](#)
- Year 5: Craft and design: [Lesson 1: Observational drawing](#) [Lesson 2: Winter tree monoprint](#)
- Year 6: Drawing: Lesson 4: Street art *

* New lessons this year!

An idea for EYFS: Colour explosion trees!

- Relate to colour learning - identifying colours, noticing mixing.
- Exploring a new technique - paint scraping, on-trend and very easy.
- Can be applied onto pre cut shapes or work on large pieces to cut out later. Could be produced collaboratively.
- Decorate shapes. For example, wrap tree shapes with yarn and beads.



An idea for KS1: Watercolour resist snowflakes

- Practise cutting skills. Circles cut from baking paper which then are folded into eighths, before finally cutting out random shapes to make snowflakes.
- Wet thick paper, drop on watery paint, watch colours mix and blend!
- Lay cut snowflakes on the wet painted surface and leave them!!
- Allow to completely dry before peeling off the snowflakes.
- Could draw or collage on, decorate, or repeat the cutting stage to make pretty coloured snowflakes.



An idea for KS2: Print collages

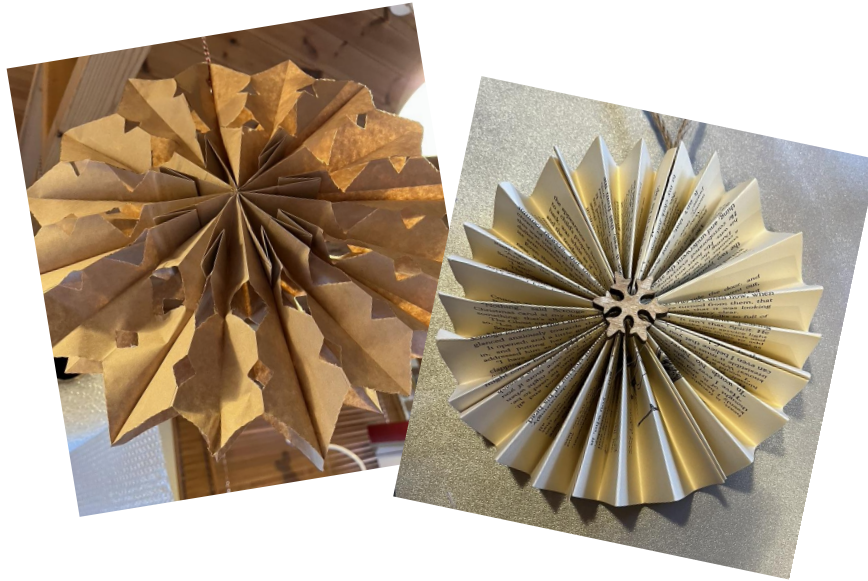
- Fun way to explore printmaking and learning more about print qualities of different materials.
- Creating textural qualities.
- Trying out composition and what makes something visually appealing. Rule of three (or odd numbers).
- Could be a wrapping paper design.



Paper craft activity ideas!

Here are a few ideas that you can use for Christmas crafting activities, either with colleagues or your class! Perfect for decorating your classroom

- Concertina rounds
- Paper bag stars
- Watercolours



Do you have any ideas or
successful projects for
Christmas you'd like to share?

Don't forget our [Facebook group](#) - a place to ask and share!