# Creative Arts News



At Sitwell Infant School



#### In the Classroom!

We were very busy last half term!

In Art - each year group was exploring painting and colour mixing! FS2 pupils were learning about mixing tints and using thin and thick brushes to paint winter trees. They found out about sculpture and explored clay to create their own Diya lamps, linked to the Hindu celebration of Diwali. They also enjoyed using everyday objects to print patterns by pressing and stamping! Year 1 pupils were learning how to mix shades by adding black to colours and used them to create their Christmas/Winter celebration cards! Year 2 pupils were finding out about warm and cold colours - they used the images for their Christmas/Winter celebration cards too!

In Design and Technology – each year group was developing their sewing skills during their textile sessions, which they then all applied to create their very own winter stockings!

In Music – each year group was very busy learning the lyrics to Christmas songs which they then performed in their Christmas Concerts!

In Drama – FS2 children had a great time putting their acting skills into action to perform *The Twinkly Nativity*!

#### After School Clubs

We have lots of after school clubs at Sitwell Infant School that are linked to creative arts learning. They run at various times of the year - take a look: Painting, Papercraft, Photography, Sewing, Circus Skills, Cheerleaders, Choir, Keyboard players, Cooking and Baking!

### Welcome!

Welcome to our first Creative Arts Newsletter! Great things are happening in the Arts here at Sitwell Infant School and we want to be able to celebrate them all with our school community! We are lucky to have appointed some new Arts Ambassadors in school who, over the next school year, will help to share all the opportunities available in school for our pupils to enjoy Art, Design and Technology, Music, Dance and Drama, including arts lessons in class, visits, professional visitors to school and after school clubs! We hope you enjoy finding out about everything we are up to!

## Meet our Arts Ambassadors!

Here are our amazing KS1 amazing Arts Ambassadors! You may notice them around school wearing their new, shiny smart badges! We hope to introduce our FS2 Art Ambassadors later in the year!

Their role is to gather the thoughts and opinions of their classmates and give feedback on our learning within the Creative Arts. They will tell us what has worked well, what they have enjoyed



and also make suggestions for areas to improve, so helping us to provide exciting and engaging learning opportunities for everyone!

## What's been going on?

We were very lucky to be visited by the Rotherham Music Service last half term. They treated us to a musical concert, introducing us to their string, brass and woodwind instruments!

Members of our Choir went and sang at Rotherham Minster as part of our Christmas celebrations, and also performed Christmas songs for residents at our local care homes.

We also enjoyed taking part in the online Singing Hands concert when we were able to join in singing festive songs using Makaton signs!





