

Hyde War Memorial Hall 'Art Space' welcomes ....

Hyde C of E School, presenting artworks from three different school projects.

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In Years R, 1 and 2, the children explored the wonderful illustrations of Sir Quentin Blake, learning about his unique, lively drawing style and practising copying it themselves. Alongside this, they discovered the creative world of Oge Mora, a talented collage artist and storyteller. Inspired by her picture book *Thank You, Omu*, the children created their own colourful collages, using different materials to tell stories just like Oge Mora does. This fun and imaginative project helped the children develop their art skills while enjoying the magic of storytelling through pictures.

Year 3 and 4 students created artwork as part of a special project that combined their history lessons with art skills. They explored drawing portraits inspired by Roman features, learning how to capture the style and details of that ancient era. A key focus was on getting the proportions right, which means understanding the size and placement of different parts of the face. This helped the children develop both their knowledge of history and their ability to draw realistic portraits. It's wonderful to see how they brought history to life through their creativity and careful study!

This term, Year 5 and 6 children explored the fascinating world of Greek pottery as part of their art lessons. They learnt about the common designs and patterns that decorated ancient Greek pots, such as geometric shapes and scenes from mythology. After studying these traditional styles, the children got hands-on experience by making their own pots using clay. They practised the coiling and pinching methods, which are simple and creative ways to shape the clay. Once their pots were formed, they decorated them in authentic Greek styles, carefully adding patterns and details much like the artists of long ago. This project helped the students appreciate both the history and the craft of pottery, combining art, culture, and creativity in a fun and engaging way.

The children's work will be on display until 15<sup>th</sup> February, 2026.

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Whether you are an enthusiastic beginner or an experienced professional artist, if you would like your work to be on show to the many users of the Hall as they come and go, we'd love to hear from you. Please contact Steve King via [blue355@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:blue355@hotmail.co.uk) to discuss further or to learn more.