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Online Creative Activities to chase away the Lockdown Blues

Making with 'Paper Clay'

Resources

This week we are exploring a clay you can make from things you may have at home and a few different ways it can be used. Yes, you did read it right, you can make clay!

The video shows you how to make and mould the clay. Please note, you will need to leave it to dry for a few days before you decorate your creations, so this is an activity to be done in stages.

Here is a list of everything you need to make the paper 'clay' in the video. Once again, we have tried as far as possible to ensure that all items will be available around the house. If not, you may need to ask someone to pop out and get a couple of the bits and pieces for you.

You will need...

...for the 'clay'

- 1 roll of single or double ply toilet paper
- 1 cup premixed joint filler/grout (it will need to be premixed, the powdered version won't work)
- 3/4 cup PVA glue
- 2 tablespoons of baby oil
- 1/2 cup white flour
- 2 large bowls
- Electric mixer
- Measuring cups
- Spoons

...for forming and decorating

- balloons – to make bowls
- a paper cup or toilet roll tube
- a rolling pin
- some flour (to stop the rolled-out clay from sticking - as when making pastry)
- colourful magazines (for decoupage, which is like papier maché)
- some more PVA glue
- a paint brush (or pastry brush if you don't have a paint brush)
- water colour or acrylic paint – the clay takes paint well.

As ever, really, the choice is yours. The video will show you how to make the raw material, how to make some simple designs and decorate them, but then you can just have fun and make what you like.

Here are some we did.



The recipe for the clay will make a substantial amount so you might like to halve the amount. Or you could of course make up the amount in the above recipe and then have fun thinking of ways of using it up. We're making a set plant holders!

As always, we love to see your creations!

Please email us at: info@rutlandcommunityventures.uk

We're looking forward to hearing from you and seeing the results of your activities!

That's all for now. Goodbye - and we hope you enjoyed the activity!