



Encounter Craft – 23rd September This Week – Autumn Colours

Autumn brings many joys with it – clear, crisp air and lovely walks to enjoy the golds, russets, yellows and reds of the changing leaves. Lots of inspiration for artwork here!

Beautiful Buttons



The gorgeous leaves on the trees can be made using a button collage. There is a template of a bare tree with these sheets that you can use as the base, or you could paint your own. Then sort buttons into the colours of autumn, and use different sizes and shapes, too. You could try a craft shop for buying mixed packets of buttons, or enjoy collecting them yourself. The effect is stunning!

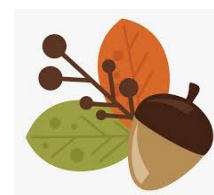
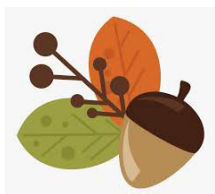




Stunning Seeds



Another way of creating a beautiful tree is to use seeds. You can paint them rich colours and then spend time arranging them into a shape you like and trying out different designs before sticking them down. They would look just as good stuck onto a black background to make the colours sing!



Delicate tissue paper makes is a great material to use for collage. It can be a bit tricky to handle to start with, and works best if you keep handling to a minimum before sticking it down, but the effect is worth it! The slight transparency adds to the delicacy of the leaves, and you can layer it up where you would like the effect to be more dense. You could experiment with other types of paper, too, to see the different effects they give. Art is all about experimentation!

Tawny Tissue



Another way of using tissue paper is to scrunch it up and stick it in a more 3-D effect. Scrunch it first and then be careful to add the glue just to the part that you want stuck down!



HAVE FUN!!



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