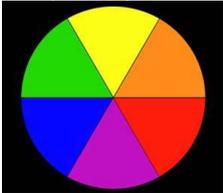


LEARNING IN INSPIRING SPACES

CATHEDRAL COLLAGE

- Activity** Cathedral Collage
Activity type Learning Centre activity
Duration 90 minutes
- The children will:**
- Understand that the Cathedral is decorated with many different patterns and shapes and that these designs were made by artists, architects and stone masons over many hundreds of years
- They will do this by:**
- Sketching a variety of patterns, shapes and symbols in the Cathedral's stone, wood, metal and glass
 - Re-working their sketches using oil pastels and ink
 - Working with others to combine their designs into a collage
- Practical arrangements** The children will make up to 3 x A1 collages of the Cathedral. They will be provided with aprons to protect their clothing. At the end of the session the collages will be rolled up and taped for you to transport them back to school.
- Before the visit why not.....**
- Consider what shapes, patterns and symbols might be found in the Cathedral
 - Consider who might have made such patterns - why and when?
 - Ensure that the children understand that a basic colour wheel is made up of 3 primary and 3 secondary colours
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- After the visit why not.....**
- Create a display of your art work and sketches along with and observations you made during the visit
 - Research art and design in other places of worship and other historical buildings

Preparing children for a visit to a place of worship

During your visit, there will be people in the building to pray. A member of the Schools and Families team will introduce the children to the Cathedral but it would be helpful if you could prepare them. Below are a few ideas:

- The Cathedral is a place of worship. **What is worship?** What does that mean to you?

- **Who worships at the Cathedral?** It is a Christian place of worship, and services (group worship) take place every day. The main service takes place on a Sunday but the Cathedral is open all year (except Boxing Day) for other services or for people to visit to pray on their own or in small groups or for general visitors
- **Will we experience worship on our visit?** If you are participating in a RE-focussed activity then you will learn about Christian worship. During your visit to the Cathedral there won't not be services taking place but there will be people visiting to pray on their own or in small groups
- **What will they be doing?** Lighting candles, talking to the priests about their worries or concerns, reading the bible, sitting quietly on one of the chairs
- **How should we show respect to those people?** By moving round the building sensibly, slowly and quietly, removing a hat if wearing one, keeping to main parts of the church and away from areas roped off (these are the most holy (important) areas of the church to Christian people), by having our phones on silent and taking telephone calls outside, being mindful of people sitting on their own or in small groups or lighting candles – they could be saying prayers.
- **"I'm not a Christian though...."** All are welcome in the Cathedral regardless of whether they are Christian or not.

We hope you enjoy your visit to the Cathedral and look forward to welcoming you

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