

Tudor CE Primary School

St Edmundsbury and Ipswich Diocesan MAT

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Tudor Art Project.

The whole school have started our new art project for this year, with a new painting to study.

This year the painting is 'Southwold' by Stanley Spencer, a local artist to East Anglia. This is a seascape painting and throughout the year the children will learn about the artist, the context and landscape, the techniques used and the inspiration for the painting as well as produce their own work. We will host our annual art exhibition in July as the culmination of all our hard work. We invite all our wonderful families and friends, the local art gallery 'The Gainsborough Gallery' along with representatives from the town such as our Mayor and people from the Sudbury Arts Centre.

This is the painting for the year:



Children's work.

The children drew inspiration from the painting as well as learning about the artist himself.

One activity of the day took inspiration from a favourite seaside activity... SANDCASTLES! The children painted a beautiful watercolour background using an ombré technique and then planned and created sandcastles using brown boxes and packing paper.



We took inspiration from the seagulls as the seaside and created Bird's Eye view beach scenes using collage.



In the afternoon, the children focused on seaside shells. They had a variety of shells to look at. We talked about the shapes, colours, textures, lines and patterns of the shells. We then had a go at sketching some shells and included some super detail.



Other children didn't look at the painting to start with. Instead they looked at Southwold on a map and looked at some photos of it. They noticed it was at the seaside. They talked about the sorts of things we see at the seaside, such as sand, beach huts, boats and shells. They then drew what we thought Stanley Spencer's painting could look like.

Then looked at the real painting, but it was all cut up into a jigsaw! They had to work with a partner to complete the jigsaw. This helped them to look closely at the painting while they were making it. They noticed all the details in the squares and talked about the features we had used in their own drawings.



Sponsored Event.

We held our annual whole school sponsored event, where we raise money for extra resources for school. We have been so overwhelmed with the wonderful support from our families and are delighted to say we raised over £2000 in one morning.

The children trained and then enjoyed their sporting sponsored events. There are a few highlights below! Even the parents enjoyed joining in too!!



Harvest Festival.

We held our Harvest Festival at St Gregory's Church on Thursday 9th October. It was a wonderful family event. We held 2 services so that everyone who wanted to come could get a seat.

Each class did something, such as sing a song, recite a poem, share prayers and art work. It was the first outing for our new children in EYFs also and they all did brilliantly singing their 'Big red combine harvester' song.

We collected food for our local foodbank and delivered it all before the half term.



Harvest is one of favourite times of the school year and we thank all our families for their support in attending and also in their very generous foodbank donations.

