

# **ART - CLAY**

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# Experimenting with clay techniques



Our hands  
are like  
tools!



We have to  
warm the clay  
up in our hands  
like when we  
made our  
sculptures.

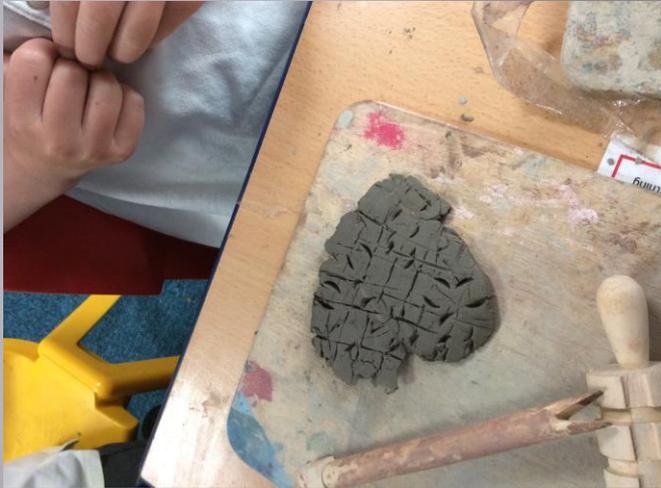
You have to  
smooth it with  
your thumbs  
and roll it with  
the palm of  
your hands.

I like pinching  
it the best.



# Exploring clay tools

I used the end of the paintbrush to make holes in my lava rock creation.

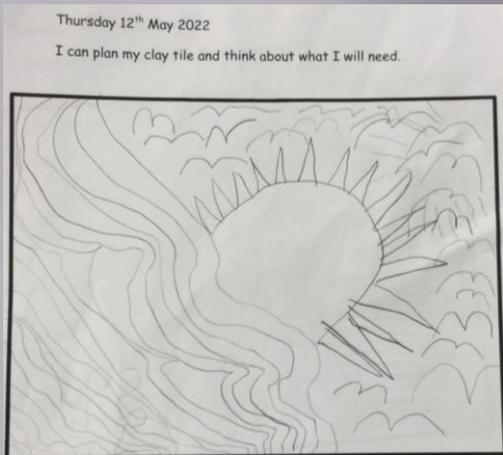


I like this tool the most because it's easy to make new shapes.

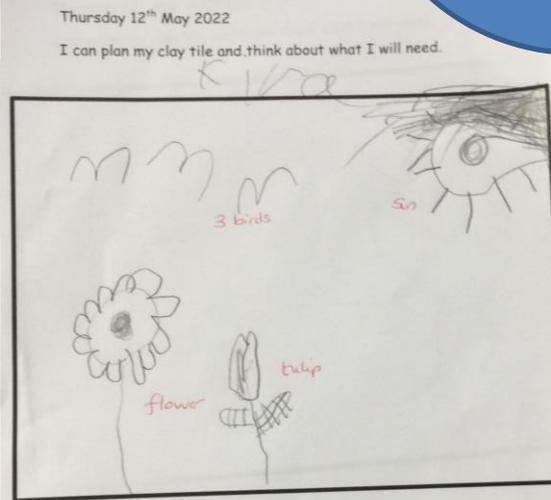
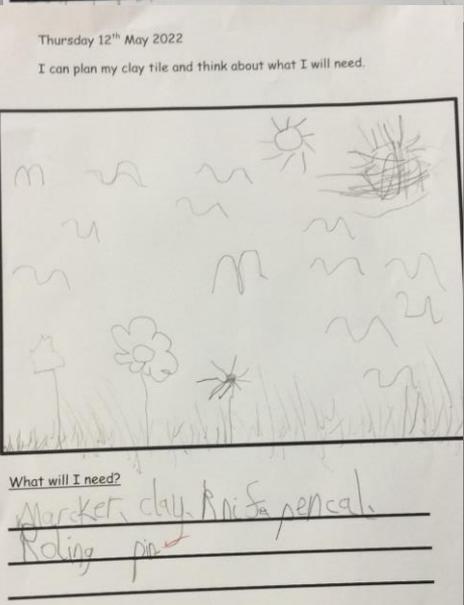
I used this tool to make the holes and this tool I pushed and moved it to make the swirly shapes.

It's gone all bumpy now

# Our clay tile design – Spring themed



What will I need?  
A knife  
clay  
rolling pin



What will I need?  
I drew the sun  
because its getting longer  
and sunny. I need a  
green knife and a  
rolling pin and a toothpick.

Look it has sun and flowers on, that's a sign of spring!



I need clay, a rolling pin to make it flat, the knife to carve the shapes of my flower and the end of a brush to make the holes.

# Making our tile by following our design



I remember that we have to warm the clay up in our hands to use it

**What we already know:**

- EYFS explore playdoh in their continuous provision and using a variety of tools.
- In the Autumn term we did a Miro unit where the children created a clay sculpture as their end point.

**Our Endpoint**

A designed and decorated clay tile with a Spring theme.

**Forever Facts**

I know that clay needs to be warmed up to make it easier to manipulate.

I know that some clay needs to be left in the air to dry and some needs to be put into an 'oven' (kiln).

I know that my hands can be used as a tool for making.

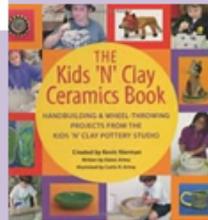
**Skills**

- I can use tools with increasing control to decorate my tile.
- I can manipulate clay to create my tile shape.
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**Culture Capital**

-Giving and receiving constructive criticism on our designs and products.

-Learning about *how* things are created - you may want to work with pottery or building in the future.

**Exciting books****Subject Specific Vocabulary**

Clay	A fine-grained mineral formed when rocks break down.
Tools	An instrument (such as a knife, saw etc) used to perform a task.
Manipulate	To use or move something using your hands or tools.