

Family Sunday – Framing Your Art!

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We've been having a lot of fun making many artworks over the past few months, learning how to create Nature Collages, Crunchy Cereal and Cubist Animal portraits – plus so much more!

We're proud of the work we've made and what better way to showcase our one-of-a-kind artworks than hanging it in their own custom frames?!

Suitability: 5+ *(with the help of a parent)*

You Will Need:

- Cardboard – a recycled cereal box works well!
- Ruler
- Pencil
- Scissors
- Glue (white glue or hot glue with parent supervision)
- Paint or markers for colouring
- Recycled materials to decorate your frame
 - These could be anything, like collage materials, coffee filters, tin foil, rocks, sticks, leaves, or whatever!
- Tape
- String
- Finally, your artwork to be framed!

Step 1:

Gather your materials and set up in an area where you can spread out and work on your project

Step 2:

Take your cardboard and ruler and draw two rectangles – one large rectangle with a smaller one inside. These will be the edges of your frame. You can make your frame any size, but we made our frame to be 9.5 inches by 12 inches, with the smaller rectangle on the inside measuring 8.25 inches by 10.75 inches.

Step 3: **Adult assistance recommended**

Using a pencil or the tip of your scissors, poke a hole along the inside edge of the smaller rectangle. Then carefully cut out the smaller rectangle, so your cardboard looks almost like a window.

Step 4:

Once you have cut out the small rectangle, you can then cut that piece of cardboard into strips and glue them onto the face of your frame to create decorative edges.

Step 5:

Paint your frame in whichever colour you want and let it dry.

Step 6:

Gather your recycled materials for decorating your frame. We are using tinfoil and coffee filters pinched together to make them look like flowers.

Step 7:

Glue your different materials to your frame to give it more shape and texture. Try experimenting with different materials that you can find around your home!

Step 8:

Carefully tape your artwork onto the frame, so the picture can be seen through the same side as your decorations. You can also glue or tape a piece of string onto the back of the frame to help when you are hanging it.

Step 9:

Hang your artwork on the wall, or somewhere outside for everyone to enjoy!
Make sure you have permission first.