

You Will Need

- Air drying clay
- Painting bibs
- Plastic table cloth
- Blunt modelling tools (optional)
- Acrylic paint and paint brushes



Why do we do this?

Clay modelling is a great multi-sensory activity, supporting the development of coordination and fine motor skills. It's a good way to talk about shape, colour and texture. Clay can be used to make great festive decorations, too.

Step 1 - Cover the table with a plastic tablecloth (clay can get messy!). Clay will wash out, but bibs can also be helpful. Break off a piece of clay for each child and encourage them to make an animal, pretend food, kitchen items, or just an interesting shape. Modelling tools can be used to add details like eyes or to make patterns.

Step 2 - Leave the models to dry over a few days.

Step 3 - Use Acrylic paints to paint the models.

