

# Art and Clay Pots design

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First we learnt about how clay is formed and how it has been made into pottery from the Neolithic period (a form of technology). We learnt about Gabbro clay which is a popular clay used in pottery which can only be found on the Lizard Peninsula. We also learnt how patterns in clay through history can be used to identify where a pot was made.



Then we formed our own pots using local clay.



We learnt that we could make a ball, stick our thumb in it and then pinch it. Then after a while it would turn into a bowl shape.



Next we used natural resources like plants and sticks to draw patterns in the clay and to press in to the clay so when they are fired they will burn away and leave an imprint.



It was fun to make different designs in the clay. I used a stick and some ferns to make an imprint.





## Personal Development

Children understand that you can make a career from art and art history  
Real life jobs it links to – artist, art historian, museum guide



What I have learnt before:

To roll clay

To mould clay into fruit shapes

## Forever facts

Any rock can become clay but not all clay is suitable for pottery

Clay is rock that has weathered and over millions of years

Gabbro clay comes from the Lizard Peninsula

Clay and pottery patterns have been linked to identity and where they are from

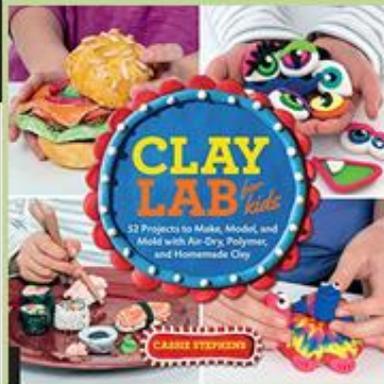
## Skills

I can experiment to make my own work using natural materials to make imprints in my pot

I can make decisions over visual effects of my end piece

I can use inspiration from the patterns of Neolithic pots

## Exciting Books



## Our Endpoint

To create a pot from clay using natural materials for decoration

## Subject Specific Vocabulary

## Neolithic

Sometimes called the New Stone Age was around 6000 years ago (around 4300 BC down to 2000 BC)

## Gabbro clay

Gabbroic clay dug from the Lizard Peninsula has been used in the production of pottery in Cornwall from the Neolithic period and onwards

## identity

the unique set of characteristics that can be used to identify a person as themselves and no one else

## weathering

the breaking down or dissolving of rocks and minerals on the surface of the Earth

## technology

machinery and equipment developed from the application of scientific knowledge