

STRONG CLOSE

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Colourful Creations with Carrots,
Boxes and Balloons! 🥕📦🎈☀️



This week in nursery, we began indoors with some roller painting, exploring colour mixing before heading outside to enjoy the sunshine.

Whilst I was at home, I noticed a big bag of carrots in my fridge that were starting to go off. Rather than letting them go to waste, I decided to give them a new purpose at nursery. I don't often use food for art activities, but as these were surplus anyway, I thought they would make perfect carrot stamps! I also brought along my giant carrot prop, which the children loved, everyone wanted a turn

holding it! I cut the carrots into a variety of shapes for printing, and together we mixed red and yellow paint to create a beautiful orange. The children had great fun stamping onto a large sheet of paper outside, using the carrot shapes to make patterns and dragging a whole carrot through the paint to create wonderful marks and lines. H, M, R, S and A really enjoyed this



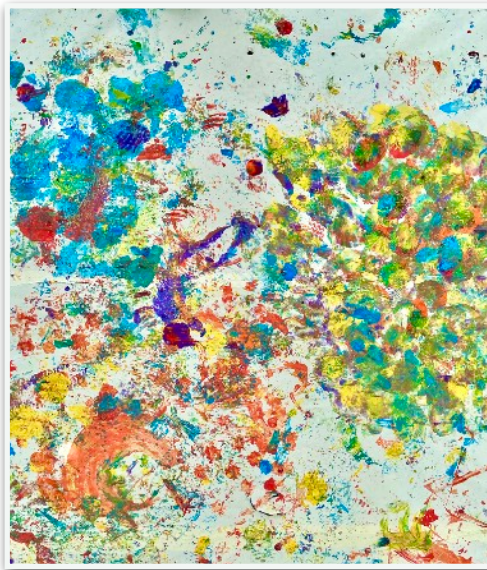
Later, we moved on to vegetable box painting. The children loved stacking the boxes, painting them in different colours, reaching inside to paint hidden areas and stretching up high to decorate them. Before long, the towers came tumbling down and the boxes were transformed into a long train. There was lots of imaginative play as they moved the boxes around together.





In the afternoon, I spent some time at the play-dough table, making animals that chatted to one another, before heading back outside into the lovely sunshine.

This time we painted using small balloons with a little water inside them. They were just the right size for little hands to hold and made fantastic printing tools. The children dipped the balloons into several colours, creating a lovely marbled effect as the paints mixed together on the paper. Our large sheet was soon covered in colourful prints, we also worked on individual pieces for the children to take home. I thought the colours looked beautiful together.



To finish the day, we painted a rainbow together after the children decided that was what they wanted to create. There were, of course, lots of colourful hands! A always loves messy play, exploring the tactile experience of paint, feeling it on her fingers and watching the colours mix together on the paper and on her hands.