

HANDPRINT ART PIECE

You will need:

- green/blue paint
- paint palette or paper plates
- 1 x A4 white paper
- 1 x A4 black card
- scissors
- bowl
- pencil
- 2 x paper clips

How to make your handprint art piece:

1. Put your bowl onto the black card and draw around it.



2. Cut the circle out - this is a job for a grown-up - you should now have a piece of card with a circular window cut out of it. Place the piece of card with the circle cut out of it over the piece of white paper and secure it with a couple of paper clips to stop the card sliding.



3. Put some green paint into your pallet, spread it out with a brush and then let your little pre-schooler place their hand flat in the paint, making sure it covers their fingers and palm. Make green handprints on the white paper - these are to symbolise the continents so it may be worth having a look at a world map to show the land and the oceans before you start. Repeat again with the blue paint to fill in the oceans. TIP: I would always begin with the continents in green and just fit the oceans around them



4. Leave all the paint to dry - when dry take the black card frame off the white paper



5. Place the bowl back over the circular area which has been printed on. Draw around the bowl with a black marker pen, this will really highlight the work.



Enjoy the feeling of paint on your fingers, and experiment more than once in creating your handprint Earth - have fun!

You could display this lovely handprint Earth by putting it in a frame and hanging it up on the wall. This piece of artwork is perfect to mark 'Earth Day' on 22 April, and is also a permanent record of your little pre-schooler's handprints.