

Portraiture Paint and Pivot with the Highlanes Gallery

3rd and 4th Classes took part in a project with the Highlanes Gallery called Portraiture, Paint and Pivot.

Drawing on former winning portraits from the Texaco Children's Art Competition, and using them as the basis for discussion and inspiration, Art Tutor Claire Halpin explored aspects of portraiture and portrait painting with the children.



The children had an opportunity to explore techniques and ideas about portrait making over two sessions using charcoal and pencil to sketch ideas and mirrors to explore expression. They used sketchbooks to collect and record their ideas over the 3 weeks of the activity. In the third session they used acrylic paints to put their ideas together in a final piece.



All the art equipment for the project was kindly sponsored by the Highlanes Gallery. The children took home the brushes and remaining paints to continue their inspiration at home !



The final paintings were displayed in the Highlanes Gallery for public viewing and the children participated in a follow up discussion with Claire about their finished pieces. They enjoyed their visit to the gallery to see their work on display.



