Year 3 Spring - Art Knowledge Organiser

What I already know...

- Making 3D forms through junk modelling
- Using form and space to manipulate materials with junk modelling.
- Joining and attaching materials in different ways.

What I will learn...

- To learn about the English potter David Leach and sketch some of his works.
- To learn that Egyptian Canopic jars were used in the mummification process and were made from clay.
- To sketch a design of an Egyptian Canopic jar and scale it up.
- To sculpt an Egyptian Canopic jar using David Leach's pinch pot techniques.
- To create a glaze for my Egyptian Canopic jar using PVA glue and apply it evenly to create a good finish.



Key Vocabulary

Form	the way something is shaped
Pinch pot	simple pots made by pinching clay with fingers and thumbs
pinching	squeezing the clay between fingers and thumbs
pressing	shaping the clay with pressure from fingers
smoothing	a finishing technique in clay
blending	joining two pieces of clay together
slip	a clay water mix used to help blend pieces together
scoring	roughing up a clay surface to help join / blend pieces together
glaze	a water & PVA glue mix applied to the clay to create a good finish.



Making a difference at The Merton and beyond

This term children will be inspired by the English potter David Leach, and learn all about the skills he used to make clay pots. We will sketch some of his work, understanding the form and shapes he used to create his pieces.

This learning will be linked to our knowledge of Ancient Egyptian canopic jars used during the mummification process. We will then design our own canopic jars, carefully sketching our ideas, then scaling them up and finally making our own pots using clay work techniques.

These pieces will then be put on display in our Year 3 museum, curated and hosted by the children themselves.

How to be an artist...

I will sketch design ideas for an Egyptian Canopic jar. I will scale up my design ideas I will use pinch pot techniques: pinching, pressing, smoothing and blending. I will create and apply a finishing glaze to my jar.

