

# DESIGN YOUR OWN CHRISTMAS CARDS!

(and gift wrap, wrapping paper, mugs and water bottles...)

*Send Christmas cards designed by your child  
and raise money for St Ippolyts School!*

1. Over half term, design and make your Christmas card.  
(Please see artwork guidelines overleaf).
2. Stick the attached sticker on the back of the artwork (please fill in the details as you wish them to appear on the card).
3. **Before you return the artwork**, visit [www.apfsorders.co.uk](http://www.apfsorders.co.uk) and enter the code from the sticker. **This is when you order the cards and other items.**
4. Return the artwork (with the sticker on the back) to your child's teacher on the first day back after half term. The school will send the artwork to the printers.  
(Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> November).
5. Your Christmas cards will be delivered to school in early December.

Please Note:

Artwork must be returned to school with a sticker on the back by the closing date.

You must order your items before returning the artwork.

The online shop order deadline is 4.11.20. Any orders placed after this date will be more expensive, and school won't receive fundraising.

# ARTWORK GUIDELINES

Artworks should be created on white or coloured paper/card and **must be A4 in size (210mm x 297mm)**.

Designs can be portrait or landscape.

Black backgrounds do not reproduce particularly well when printed.

We recommend using good quality paper, no less than 160gsm. A heavier paper will ensure that the unique artwork label does not show through the artwork.

Card is better than paper if you are using a wet technique, i.e. painting or glueing. This is because card is unlikely to crinkle in the way that paper does when wet.

To ensure the entirety of the artwork is printed please leave approximately a 2-3mm edge around the paper. This will also help children who tend to write words on the edge of the paper, find that their sentence(s) have not been cut off.

Bold colours and collage (maximum depth 5mm) work really well.

We do not accept artwork that includes glitter, as the glitter contaminates other artwork and damages the machinery used in the printing process.

Reflective materials or pearlescent paint does not reproduce well. This is due to the scanning process when a bright light travels across the artwork. Reflective materials will bounce the light back and distort the colour of the materials.

If you would like to use pastel colours, they will need to be sprayed with a fixative spray (or hairspray) before being sent to us.

Please note that due to copyright we cannot reproduce pictures from books, without permission from the owner of the image(s). Collage artwork from pictures cut out from magazines are allowed in most circumstances.

**If you have any queries or questions,**  
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