

# Tate Britain

On 4<sup>th</sup> December St. John Bosco's class went to Tate Britain to explore all the wonderful art work displayed there. First of all, we got on the coach and set off in the busy traffic. It took approximately an hour and a half to get there by coach. After a while, we got off the coach and entered Tate Britain.

We started off by placing our food and coats in a downstairs room. After that, we split into two groups and went with two artists who gave us a tour around the Tate. On the way to the first piece of artwork, we were amazed to see that below our feet was a piece of artwork itself. There was a white curvy line that looked like a maze



going along the corridor. We discussed ways the artists could have created this piece. Some people thought that the artist, Richard Long, had used a roller and just rolled it along the floor, causing it to make an amazing bubbly line. However, we also had the idea that he threw the paint over the floor and let it dry.

The next piece of art that we explored was a sculpture. We had to try to sculpt the head of the model. It was lots of fun. The head had to look interesting from all angles. After we had finished sculpting, we went onto another room and looked at one particular picture that was very interesting. We found it interesting because it used eyes to show different expressions. We played a game where we got into pairs and went into separate rooms. In those rooms we had to find a picture with an interesting eye and draw it. After that, we swapped rooms with our partners and they had to guess which eye from which painting they had copied?

Then we all went into a different part of the gallery where we saw a sculpture. It was of a relaxed person lying down and it was made of rock. The artist, called Sarah, gave us pieces of sugar paper and different textures to make rubbings of. Next, we had to cut out the outline of the sculpture. This was tricky because we had to do this freehand. Afterwards, we stuck them on card and they all looked very creative.

After a while, we all went to a sculpture that looked like Darth Vader from Star Wars! This sculpture was called Rock Drill, it looked as if it was all made of armour from a knight, yet it was actually made of bronze. We drew the head of it with different types of pencils and put in all the detail.



It was a very exciting day. We were astounded that it had gone so fast. Sadly, we had to go back to school but we look forward to visiting the gallery again soon.

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Another picture we saw was called the Crowd.