

Activity idea for linking to saddler's resources

Ornament activity

Main focus of activity:

- To investigate the brass ornaments that decorate the horses at the Royal Mews
- To design own ornament

Links to curriculum:

KS 2 Art and design –

Knowledge and understanding of:

- materials and processes used in art, craft and design and how these can be matched to ideas and intentions
- exploring a range of starting points for practical work

KS2 ICT –

Developing ideas and making things happen

- 2a) how to develop and refine ideas by bringing together, organising and reorganising text, tables, images and sound as appropriate

Activity outline:

Use the saddler's video clip as a starting point for this activity.

Discuss the use of the brass ornaments. What is their purpose? What are they made of? Perhaps show some examples of images of horses wearing brass ornaments (see resource sheet 'horses with ornaments').

Pupils can then use pencils and paper to design their own ornament for a horses tack.

Can they think of a design that incorporates something significant to the role of the horses at the Royal Mews e.g. a crown, a Royal Standard etc.

As a follow up activity pupils can use a paint programme on the computer to transfer their initial ornament design to a computer drawn image. Pupils could experiment with copying and pasting their design to create repeating patterns