Tuesday 15th December
LO: To make different tones with charcoal

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Notes for teacher
Ensure children protect their clothes.
Provide the children with a piece of scrap paper that can be laid over any completed sections of their work.
Drawings can be sprayed with fixative when children have left the room.
Snap the charcoal into short lengths of about 4cm.

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Charcoal is made of burned wood and tends to break easily. It can make very dark marks or light marks depending on how hard you press. One of the main characteristics of charcoal is that it smudges easily and so you can make some really good smoky effects. It is very useful for quick sketching and for creating dramatic scenes. Today you are going to investigate all the different tones you can make with charcoal.

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Activity
Make a series of marks that start very dark and gradually get lighter.
Try this first with the point of the charcoal and then the side, creating lines of different widths.
Draw some marks close together and smudge them blending the marks into areas of solid tone.
Next experiment by creating tones of varying darkness.

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Draw a cube on your paper. Shade one side of the cube dark, one side medium and leave one light.
Draw a circle and blend the tones with a finger around the edge, getting lighter towards the middle.
Draw a cylinder and try spreading the tones around the side of the cylinder.

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