**Shibori name writing art and craft**

**Materials**

Water Diffusing Paper (available Zart Art) and Shodo paper (One of each for student, so they can dye 2 pages)

Vegetable Dyes – red yellow blue – mixed with water, in white or clear containers, about 2cm of dye (so students don’t soak their paper too much, some areas left white actually look good)

Coloured card A4 size

Black backing card A3

Textas, scissors, glue

Pegs

**How to**

1. Watch Power point, as it has instructions at the end for the students. Can also show articles and shibori material as examples.
2. Fold the shodo paper and diffusing paper into preferred pattern – in half, triangle, however you like! Be creative.
3. Place a peg on one corner and dip into dyes, using yellow first so as not to “muddy” up the colour. Peg helps keep fingers clean.
4. Leave folded until dry.
5. Choose a coloured card to match and cut out squares.
6. When your shodo and diffusing dyed paper is dry, unfold, choose which you like best.
7. Paste “shibori” onto black backing card.
8. On squares write, the katakana characters of your name, then emphasise, with texta – make it bold.
9. Position name tiles, until happy with the design, making sure the characters are in order.
10. Paste onto the shibori background.

Great for a display – completed over two sessions – practising writing name and dyeing paper one day, completing the next!

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