

BANKSY



Find out

WHO IS BANKSY?
WHAT DOES HE DO?

WHAT DOES MONOCHROME MEAN?

WHAT MESSAGE IS BANKSY SHARING THROUGH HIS WORK?

A NEW BANKSY ARTWORK HAS APPEARED AT SOUTHAMPTON GENERAL HOSPITAL. THE LARGELY MONOCHROME PAINTING, WHICH IS ONE SQUARE METRE, WAS HUNG IN COLLABORATION WITH THE HOSPITAL'S MANAGERS IN A FOYER NEAR THE EMERGENCY DEPARTMENT. IT SHOWS A YOUNG BOY KNEELING BY A WASTEPAPER BASKET DRESSED IN DUNGAREES AND A T-SHIRT. HE HAS DISCARDED HIS SPIDERMAN AND BATMAN MODEL FIGURES IN FAVOUR OF A NEW FAVOURITE ACTION HERO - AN NHS NURSE. THE NURSE'S ARM IS OUTSTRETCHED AND POINTING FORWARD IN THE FASHION OF SUPERMAN ON A MISSION. SHE IS WEARING A FACEMASK, A NURSE'S CAPE, AND AN APRON WITH THE RED CROSS EMBLEM (THE ONLY ELEMENT OF COLOUR IN THE PICTURE). THE ARTIST LEFT A NOTE FOR HOSPITAL WORKERS, WHICH READ: "THANKS FOR ALL YOU'RE DOING. I HOPE THIS BRIGHTENS THE PLACE UP A BIT, EVEN IF ITS ONLY BLACK AND WHITE."

Challenge

DESIGN YOUR OWN SUPERHERO OF 2020

Who would they be? What would they do? What would they wear?

Banksy has used black & white with an element of colour to draw attention to the cross on the nurses uniform. Could you do the same? Would you prefer to use bold colours like that of traditional superheroes?

Work with any materials you have at home and email me you outcomes.