



A warm welcome to the Lockdown Bobby Project,

We are delighted you are joining us to have some fun and raise awareness of a great cause!

Sculptor Mark Coreth will be teaching us to sculpt in a series of short webcasts, available from 2pm on **Mondays 6, 13 and 20 July**. Each webcast will provide demonstrations, explanations and helpful tips to start you sculpting.

This letter explains **suggested materials to buy** so you can join in. The sculptures are designed to be made using affordable, accessible materials and we hope you will enjoy working with them! You can choose whether to have a go making one, or all three. Skills will be built up each week.

We really hope you will enjoy taking part, and we would love to see some photos of your creations and the fun you have making these.

from everyone at,
Greyfriars Kirk & Grassmarket Community Project

Suggested materials:

To make all 3 sculptures, Mark suggests the following from his suppliers:

4 packs (a little extra!) of Newplast (£2.84 per pack, plus postage)
www.industrialplasters.com/prod/modelling-materials/newplast-white

2 Meters of 3mm **square** sectioned aluminium wire (around £2.50, plus postage)
<https://www.industrialplasters.com/prod/armature-wire-wire-netting/armature-wire-1>

Plus some stiff garden wire, and the cutting tools described below.

The following provides more information on options on materials and what Mark will cover each week:

Week One Webcast: MODELLING IN CLAY

Available from 2pm, Monday 6 July

For the first week, select a clay and colour you would like to use from the varieties widely available online from local art shops or market-platforms like Amazon and Ebay.

Mark suggests around **500g of Plasticine**, or other modelling clay such as Fimo, Das, Milliput or Newplast (see pictures below). Roughly the right amount to fill a half pint jug!

Week Two Webcast: MAKING A SIMPLE ARMATURE

Available from 2pm, Monday 13 July

This week, Mark recommends using **500g of Newplast** and 2 meters of **garden wire**, or similar fairly stiff wire, with pliers to help you cut this into sections for the simple armature (framework).

Week Three Webcast: A MORE ADVANCED ARMATURE

Available from 2pm, Monday 20 July

In this last "learn to sculpt" webcast, Mark will demonstrate making an armature using square sectioned wire, in this case 2 meters of **3mm sectioned aluminium wire**. For this, pliers are recommended for cutting. Plus, of course, around **500g of Newplast!**



While you are here...can you help others enjoy arts and activities too?

The **Grassmarket Community Project** runs a wide variety of free activities every week, which creates opportunities for learning, social engagement and fun, for many of Edinburgh's most vulnerable people. Activities include *practical* (IT, gardening, cooking), *physical* (walking, table tennis, yoga), *creative* (arts, choir, drama, creative writing) and *wellbeing* (mindfulness, retreats & more).

If you can, please consider making a small donation as you enjoy this project, to help others access opportunities for fun, creativity and learning new skills.

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