

Baking and Painting Your Play Dough Figures

When your child makes some particularly memorable figures, sculptures that he or she would like to keep, bake them at approximately 150°C in a preheated oven until they harden. (Baking times will vary depending on the size of the objects baked, from 20 minutes onwards.) They won't bake through but the heat of the oven will put a hard case on them and preserve them. In time they will dry completely and be as hard as a rock.

Once cooled, the figures can be painted. Acrylic paints cover better than water colours and are water soluble so that spills and brushes can be cleaned with water.