



We all know that the VAT man cometh with his increased swag bag at the beginning January, which may seem a long way off in the distance but you and I know time passes us by like a flash. If you have any large commercial decorating work that needs to be done why not get it started before the rate increases. The increase in VAT not only affects our labour costs but also all the Paints, materials and scaffolding should it be needed. If you are invoiced prior to the VAT increase date you can make a worthwhile saving.

This time of year many people look to paint the outside of their home. It's amazing what a good coat of paint can do to the front door or the old sash/casement windows will do. The traditional painting systems of undercoat and gloss are still used by many, however, there are now more technologically advanced paints/stains that last longer and care for the wood in much better ways. There are also much friendlier to the environment, so we prefer to use these systems rather than the old traditional ways. The Paints and Stains that are now available allow the wood to breathe and are so much better for the wood. They also look good and last longer, much longer than the old traditional systems. Interested then give me a call/send me an e mail to discuss some of the alternatives that you could be using or we can do it for you leaving you to enjoy the rest of the summer.

One of the questions I get asked frequently is; Can you paint over this wallpaper or do we have to strip down to the plaster? Well the answer is always the same, generally you can paint over most types of wallpapers, but what sort of finish are you looking for? In the main most wallpapers we get asked to paint over have been on the walls for donkeys years and even with several coats of paint they are still going to look like that same old paper that has been painted! If you want to bring your property up to date and looking more modern with the vast array of lovely colours that can change the whole feel and dynamics of your home why scrimp to save a few pounds. The best way to make your home look really good is to do the preparations properly by removing the old wall coverings, have a really good quality lining paper hung and then apply 3 coats of a good quality emulsion paint that will last for many years.



Hope you enjoyed our top tips for August.

If we can help with any of your decorating needs then please give us a call.

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