# Early years and Primary Home education - Summer 1 - Weeks 3 and 4

Art and Creativity Session



In art we are thinking about nature.

You can...

- 1. Make land art
- 2. Make a yoghurt pot plant pot
- 3. Make a salt dough decoration

Try practicing these signs...







Mime smelling perfume



Flutter hands and move the

tree

leaf

flower

butterfly

Why not have a look at these creative iPad apps?

Draw with stars!



Finger paint with sounds



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#### Activities

Below you will find several suggested activities, please choose the ones which will best suit the needs and interests of your child.



### Land art

- Collect some leaves, petals, pebbles or sticks when you're on a walk or in the garden.
- Enjoy looking at and exploring your natural treasures.
- Make some art using what you have found.
- http://www.landartforkids.com/section34
  5249.html

### Yoghurt pot plant pots

- Save and wash empty yoghurt pots or other containers - you could also use an egg box!
- Decorate your container using paint, stickers, or paper.
- Fill the container with a small amount of soil.
- Plant 2-4 seeds in each container, pushing each seed down slightly into the soil just until you cannot see them any longer.
- Place in a sunny spot and water every couple of days.





## Salt dough decorations

### You will need:

- 1 cup salt
- 1 cup plain flour
- 1 cup water
- Leaves
- Straw

#### What you do:

#### Make the salt dough:

- Mix the salt and flour together.
- Add the water gradually, stopping when it has become dough-like and not too sticky.
- Knead it on a floured surface for a few minutes to make it soft, workable and stretchy.
- Roll out the dough until it is about 1cm thick. You can choose a biscuit cutter to make shapes or just mold it yourself.
- Gently push a leaf into the dough, one at a time.
- Push gently but firmly around the edges and along the center to ensure the veins and edge imprinted into the dough clearly.
- Peel the leaf back slowly and look at the imprint!
- If you want to hang up your decorations with string, make a hole in the top using a straw.
- Put on a baking tray and cook in the oven for 2-3 hours at around 120 degrees
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https://theimaginationtree.com/coloured-salt-dough-leaf-impressions/



#### Extension:





Materials for one flowerpot:

- 1 cup of flour
- 1 cup of coffee grounds
- 1/2 cup of water
- Biodegradable flowerpot
- Plastic container

#### What you do:

- Add one cup of flour and one cup of coffee grounds to a container.
  Stir well until it becomes a light-brownish even mixture.
- Add water in small amounts to the mixture. Stir well each time. The result should have a muddy texture.
- Coat the biodegradable pot with the mixture. Make sure you leave no gaps and the mixture is spread even all the way around.
  - Flatten the top (the pots bottom) so the pot won't be able to tip over.
- Your environmentally friendly flowerpot is now ready for the oven!
  Bake the pot for 40 minutes at 120 degrees.
  - The result should be sturdy and is pretty water resistant.

https://www.instructables.com/id/Biodegradable-flower-pots-out-of-coffee-grounds/