

CRAFT IDEAS FOR ECD CENTRES & HOME SCHOOL PARENTS

The below craft ideas use readily available items and ingredients found in the home. Save your recycling items because you never know when they will come in handy.

No paint? No problem!

Make your own paint using non-toxic ingredients (great for those kids who like to taste everything)

- 1 cup salt
- 1 cup flour
- 1 cup water
- Food colouring

Mix all ingredients together and store in an airtight container.



No paintbrush? Make your own.

If you don't have a paintbrush at home you can easily make one using items found in the garden or around the house. Grab a clothing peg and attach anything you can use to paint with.

Some items we have used include a ball of cotton wool, a feather, a piece of string and a pom pom.



Run out of glue? Make your own.

Place flour in a bowl and slowly add water. Whisk together until desired consistency.



Salt Dough Creations

Children love making salt dough creations and now you can make them at home.

- ½ cup flour
- ½ cup salt
- ¼ cup water

Mix all ingredients together and shape as desired. Once the salt dough has dried the children can paint them.



No finger paint? Try this...

- 3 tablespoons sugar
- ½ teaspoon salt
- ½ cup cornstarch
- 2 cups water
- Food colouring

Combine ingredients in a pot over a low heat until mixture thickens. Allow to cool before using.



Play Dough provides hours of fun

Play dough is simple to make and keeps the children entertained for hours.

- 1 cup flour
- ¾ cup water
- ¼ cup salt
- 1 teaspoon oil
- Food colouring

HOW TO MAKE YOUR PLAY DOUGH:

- STEP 1: Place the flour and salt in a bowl
- STEP 2: In another bowl mix water and food colouring
- STEP 3: Mix the ingredients from the 2 bowls together and stir well, keep adding flour if it gets too sticky
- STEP 4: Add vegetable oil at the end

Playdough can last for a few weeks. Place in a container and store it in the fridge.

