

Creative Play Ideas



Junk Modelling

Collect together empty boxes, bottles, cardboard tubes and use scissors and tape to build whatever is in your imagination! A robot, a monster, a rocket...whatever you like!

Salt Dough Models

Mix together a batch of salt dough (2 cups of plain flour, 1 cup of salt, 1 cup of water) and make models.

If you add food colouring when you are making the dough, it will colour your creations or you can paint or draw on the models once they have been cooked (bake in a low oven for 3-4 hours or leave out to dry for a day or so). You could make shapes and put a hole in them to thread them for decorations or even to make a lovely bracelet or necklace!



Puffy Paint

Whisk together equal parts of flour, salt and water and then add in some poster paint or food colouring for colour. Use a squeeze bottle or spoon to put the paint onto the card and leave to dry for a day or two.

Printing

Printing can be lots of fun. If you have paints at home you can print with almost anything - potatoes, leaves, flowers, toy cars, household objects like forks, mashers, hands, feet...!



Paper Plate Crafts

There are lots of fun things to do with paper plates if you have any at home. Type paper plate craft into Google and lots of ideas will appear like this fun paper plate crown. Why not make some and have a royal tea party?

Blow Painting

Use watered down paint or water with food colouring to create a blow painting. Put blobs of the colour onto the paper and blow it with a straw to create interesting shapes.



Drawing

Have fun drawing with pens, pencils, crayons. Draw tiny pictures and big pictures.

Draw your family and things you can see in your home. There are drawing tutorials that may be useful and teach you how to draw lots of things.

<https://www.youtube.com/user/ArtforKidsHub>

Mo Willems, author of the Pigeon books is also doing a daily drawing tutorial <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=RmzjCPQv3y8>

