

Week 3: Welcome + Workshop format

Theme: Easter Art

Learning aids used throughout workshop:

Activity: Bunny Ears

15 mins

Materials: Card, scissors, paint, brushes, PVA glue, stapler.

Learning Outcomes: Bunny ears are a learning aid for creative expression work.

Senses Explored: Visual, chromatic, tactile.

Step by Step:

1. Cut long bunny shaped ears
2. Paint and decorate
3. Cut strip of cardboard 5cm wide and long enough to go around your head (leaving extra to secure)
4. Glue ears to long strip of card. Staple ends together

Activity: Wrapping Paper

15 mins

Materials: Paint, sponges, paintbrushes, tissue paper.

Learning Outcomes: This introduces the toddler to the idea of mixing colours – learning about primary colours and secondary colours.

Senses Explored: Visual, chromatic.

Step by Step:

1. Use only two primary colours of paint – different colours
2. Apply the paint to a sheet of tissue paper using a sponge
3. The idea is repeated, introducing toddlers to all the secondary colours – green, orange and purple.

Second Application:

Materials: Tissue paper, cutter shapes, plastic cups, PVA glue, glitter

Step by Step:

1. PVA is poured into flat trays
2. Select shapes from the cutters then dip into PVA
3. A print of the shape is made onto the tissue paper.
4. When you have printed enough shapes sprinkle glitter onto the surface.

Activity: Place Mats for Easter dinner

10 mins

Materials: Paint, egg shells, glue, A4 coloured card, A4 laminated paper.

Learning Outcomes: Food can be used to create texture and pattern

Senses Explored: Visual, gustatory, tactile.

Step by Step:

1. Crush the egg shells and glue to card
2. Paint some of the egg shells on the card
3. Laminate

Activity: Easter Ribbon Decorations

15 mins

Materials: Card, paint, scissors, ribbon, hole puncher, pipe cleaners.

Senses Explored: Visual, chromatic, tactile.

Step by Step:

1. Cut card into shapes of stars, eggs, or crosses
2. Paints each shape
3. Slit line through each shape and pull through various lengths and colours of ribbon to hang very long
4. Punch hole at top and attach pipe cleaner as hanger

Activity: Humpty Dumpty Egg Puppet

10 mins

Materials: Card, scissors, crayons, googly eyes

Learning Outcomes: Your fingers are the legs of the puppets. You can make the entire cast of a nursery rhyme or fairy tale in just a few minutes, and then put on your own show – excellent use of creative expression.

Senses Explored: Visual, tactile.

Step by Step:

1. Cut oval egg shape from card
2. Decorate and stick googly eyes
3. Cut two holes at bottom for legs

Activity: Paper Plate Chicks

10 mins

Materials: Paper plate, scissors, glue, stapler, paint, yellow or orange paper, markers, googly eyes

Senses Explored: Visual, chromatic, tactile.

Step by Step:

1. Print three hand prints from paint and once dry cut out the shape
2. This will be used as the chicks feathers
3. Fold paper plate in half and glue hand prints to top
4. Cut out circle head from coloured paper
5. Cut out beak and slit through head
6. Glue google eyes to head

Activity: Easter Egg Sculpture

15 mins

Materials: modelling clay, water, paint, varnish.

Learning Outcomes: The change of one form to another using the same material.

Senses Explored: Visual, tactile, stereognostic.

Step by Step:

1. Soften clay with hand before give to child
2. Use water to mould
3. Mould simple shape of egg
4. Leave to dry and once dry paint a design
5. Once dry varnish