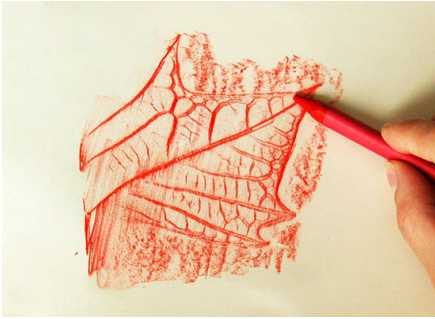


Earth Day – Crayon Rubbings



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Resources

- ✓ What can you find on your daily walks or in your garden?
- ✓ Paper and crayons

Instructions

- ✓ Collect natural fallen objects and bring them home with you or take your paper and crayons outside with you.
- ✓ Look for objects with different textures and patterns, for example leaf's, trees, stones, rocks, flowers etc and press your paper to it.
- ✓ Hold your crayon and rub along the paper.
- ✓ Look at the marks you made and talk about what you can see.
- ✓ Lastly, put your beautiful pictures somewhere for everyone to see.

Learning Goals

This activity provides an opportunity to explore the natural environment whilst looking for your resources. It enables the children to think for themselves and use trial and error when trying to find objects and surfaces which would make marks through the paper. There are many teaching moments you can include to support your child's learning and imagination.

Here is some things to think about as you do this activity together:

- ✓ **Role model to your child how to hold the crayons they are using**
- ✓ **Talk about the texture of the different objects you found, encouraging your child to do the same**
- ✓ **Talk about where the natural objects found came from and how they grow**
- ✓ **Encourage them to give meaning to the marks they are making**
- ✓ **Compare the artwork to the original object, thinking how it looks similar or different.**

Creating **awe** and **wonder** in every moment