



Activities at Home

Project: 'Wild and Wonderful'

Dear Parents,

The activity for week: 9 beginning: 4th March 2024 is Wildflower Art

The activity we will be covering involves:

- **Learning the important role that wildflowers play in our eco system.**
- **Using pressed flowers to create our own wildflower artwork.**
- **Using soil and seeds to create a 'wildflower bomb' that we can throw in our gardens or other green spaces to grow more wildflowers and support the wildlife that depends on them.**

Our activity includes:

- We will repeat the story *The Tiny Seed*, talking about the perfect conditions for a flower to grow. After the story, we will discuss again why flowers are so important, focusing on how animals such as bees and butterflies depend on them. We will also remind the children of the important role that bees play as pollinators, and touch on some of the food that could not grow without the bees such as tomatoes.
 - The children will then look at the flowers they pressed from the week before and continue to make wildflower creations.
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You might wish to help your child to explore this topic at home or when you are out and about. Please feel free to approach the teachers for further explanations.

Our suggested activities are:

- There are many National Trust parks and properties, as well as other green spaces, around London and the suburbs-Kew Gardens or Morden Hall Park are two examples in easy reach of us, with Osterley Park, Wisley Gardens or Ham House are also just a short distance away. Consider visiting gardens and outdoor spaces and encouraging a respectful attitude towards nature and the role it plays; try teaching the National Trust mantra of, ‘Take nothing but photos, leave nothing but footprints’
- Try planting your own bee/butterfly attracting plants at home-when they are in bloom, children will love watching the insects going busily about their business!



The big question:

Ask your child:

If you were a flower what would you look like?