

Personal Social and Emotional

- * What is your favourite colour? Why do you like this colour?
- * Do colours make us think of anything? For example, white might make you think of snow or weddings.
- * Look at how colours can be used to keep us safe, for example, red and green man.
- * Read 'Elmer the Elephant' and 'The Crayon Box that Talked' and discuss. How did Elmer feel about being different? How did the crayons feel when they were shown how well they all worked together even though they were different?
- * Read the 'Rainbow Fish'. How did the rainbow fish make the other fish feel before and after he gave them a scale?

Communication and Language

- * NEW LANGUAGE, colour names, learn names for other shades of red, blue etc. Maroon, Navy
- * Learn how to sign the colours using Makaton
- * Talk about colours. Look for colours in the environment and name them together as you walk around. Pick out colours in flowers, trees etc. See how colours are in every part of our life.
- * Sing songs about colours such as 'I can sing a rainbow'

Physical Development

- * Go on a walk and find things in the environment that are red, next time find things that are blue etc.
- * Chalk big coloured squares on the patio. Find items in the garden to match the coloured squares in a colour matching treasure hunt.
- * Make fruit kebabs using different coloured fruits
- * Use sensory resources such as rice and pasta, dye them with food colouring and make a sensory tray. Add spoons, bowls and jugs for pouring and scooping.
- * Make and explore coloured playdough
- * Practice pencil control when drawing and colouring

Colours: Home Learning ideas.

Literacy

- * Read 'Elmer the elephant' or watch it being read on YouTube
- * Read 'The Mixed up Chameleon' and 'Brown Bear what do you see' or watch the story on YouTube
- * Read, 'The Crayon box that Talked' or listen to it on YouTube
- * Read 'The Rainbow Fish' or watch the story on YouTube.
- * Bubble write the children's names and have them colour in each letter to make a sign for their bedroom door
- * Rainbow fish pencil control sheets

Maths

- * Use coloured beads or other small items to make repeating patterns
- * Use bowls and small objects to make a colour sorting game.
- * Make playdough and have the children weigh out the ingredients
- * Do colour by number worksheets

Expressive Arts and Design

- * Explore colour mixing, what colours can you make
- * Explore how to make the secondary colours with primary colours
- * Use the Elephant template and cut up coloured paper/tissue paper to make an Elmer mosaic
- * Paint ice cubes or make coloured ice cubes to paint with
- * Elmer the Elephant sponge painting
- * Elmer the Elephant milk bottle craft
- * Use the rainbow fish template or draw a rainbow fish, decorate it and add some tin foil scales.

Understanding the world

- * When you are on your colour walk, take photos of the coloured items you find for technology
- * Explore the colours of the rainbow and discuss how rainbows are made
- * Use technology (computer, tablet) to find pictures of rainbows.
- * Set up a milk, colour dishwashing soap experiment (see link below)
- * Set up a travelling colours science experiment (see link below)

Ideas and Links for our Colour Topic

Elmer the Elephant Story Video - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=vZINp-8zOgk>

Elmer the Elephant Story read aloud - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=wdyo4ykh2WA>

Elmer the Elephant milk bottle craft - <https://www.pinterest.co.uk/pin/633600241306191303/>

Elmer the Elephant sponge painting - <https://www.pinterest.co.uk/pin/338895940693497562/>

Elmer Elephant template to decorate - <https://www.twinkl.co.uk/resource/t-t-2545958-design-an-elephant-activity-sheets>

The Mixed up Chameleon - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=FrmZeXf7ScU>

Brown Bear Brown Bear what do you see - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=WST-B8zQleM>

The Crayon Box that Talked - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=sqiwQUUw0jE>

The Rainbow Fish Film - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ifXlc0QI2kY>

The Rainbow Fish read aloud - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=QFORvXhub28>

Rainbow fish template - <https://www.twinkl.co.uk/resource/t-t-21907-the-rainbow-fish-collage-resource-pack>

Rainbow fish pencil control sheets - <https://www.twinkl.co.uk/resource/t-t-21910-the-rainbow-fish-pencil-control-sheets>

Makaton signing colours - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=80EC7QcPFzg>

Playdough recipe - <https://www.bbcgoodfood.com/howto/guide/playdough-recipe>

Milk dish soap science experiment - <http://coolscienceexperimentshq.com/magic-milk-science-experiment/>

Travelling colours science experiment - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=l7V556Z7SMk>

Don't forget to visit Twinkl and Pinterest for more ideas and colouring sheets.

I have checked the YouTube videos are safe but please double check before allowing children to watch them.

