

SUMMER



Sand Castle Collage

You will need:

Blue construction paper
Scrap of paper for your flag
Popsicle stick
Sand
Shells
White glue

Instructions:

Paint the shape of your sandcastle onto the construction paper with a thick layer of glue. Sprinkle the sand evenly over, and leave to dry.

Decide where you want to put your shells, then stick to the picture with a big dab of glue for each shell.

Cut out a small rectangle of brightly colored paper for your flag and write on your name. Glue a popsicle stick to the top of the sandcastle, and stick the flag in place.

FALL



These Autumn window pictures look so pretty displayed in the classroom, and are a popular craft with children of all ages.

You will need:

Orange, red and yellow cellophane or tissue paper.
Laminator or contact paper
Orange or red card stock paper
Double sided sticky tape
Glitter glue (optional)

Instructions:

Cut a selection of leaf shapes from the cellophane or tissue paper. If you like you can decorate some with glitter glue and leave to dry.

If using a laminator arrange your leaves in the pocket. Ask an adult to carefully feed it through the laminator.

If using contact film, cut two A4 size pieces. Carefully peel the back off one and stick on your leaves. Peel the back off the other and carefully stick to the back of your first piece.

Cut the middle from your piece of card stock to make a frame. Use double-sided tape to attach the frame to the leaf picture.

WINTER



Winter Scene Centerpiece

Kids can use their imagination and any craft supplies you have lying around to create a winter scene centerpiece like this one. We've chosen to feature a pond, a mail box and a lamp post, but you could build something entirely different...

You will need:

- A thin cardboard tube (paper towel, aluminum foil)
- Toilet paper tube
- White cardboard or any other heavy duty white board for base
- Red paint
- Silver paint
- Gold card
- Cotton balls
- White or silver glitter
- Glue
- Scraps of black, white, red and blue paper

Instructions:

Paint the thin tube silver and the toilet paper roll red and leave to dry. To make your mail box, cut a small rectangle of black paper and glue to the tube. Stick a circle of red paper to the top and a rectangle of white paper to the front. To make the lamppost simply glue a rectangle of gold paper around the top of the tube for the light. Stick the tubes to your base. Cut a pond from blue paper and stick to the base. Cover the rest of the base with glue and stick on cotton balls, adding some to the top of the mailbox and lamppost. Drizzle glue over the top and sprinkle on glitter.

SPRING



Birds Nest Collage

This delightful birds nest collage can be enjoyed by all ages. Younger children can be given the shapes pre-cut and can take charge of decorating the paper plate nest and adding wiggle eyes and beaks to the baby birds. For older children you could adapt the craft to make the birds much more lifelike (study a real nest from a distance, or search for photos on the internet) and by using real nest materials in the collage.

You will need:

- Large paper plate
- Brown paint
- Thin brown paper (tissue, greaseproof or packing will all work)
- Brightly colored paper
- Wiggle eyes
- Scraps of yellow paper
- Glue

Instructions:

Paint the back of the plate brown and leave to dry. Cut in half. Cut the brown paper into strips and glue them to the plate. Don't worry about gluing all the edges as you are looking for texture. Cut 3 ovals from colored paper and glue them along the edge of the plate. Add a yellow beak and two wiggle eyes to each.