

ideas by the Bushel



Welcome summer with these activities picked just for you!



We all scream for ice cream: What says summer more than a scoop of yummy ice cream?? Help your child make their own yummy treat with the following ingredients: milk sugar, vanilla, rock salt, and ice. First, combine the milk, sugar, and vanilla in a sandwich size Ziploc bag. Zip the bag shut and place it in another sandwich size bag to prevent leaking. Let your child shake and squeeze the bag until the ingredients are mixed together. Now, fill a gallon size Ziploc bag about half-way with ice and pour in some rock salt. Place the sealed sandwich size Ziploc bag into the gallon size bag and seal that bag as well. Then, let your child start to shake, shake, shake! In about 10 minutes, give your child a spoon and let them enjoy some yummy ice cream right out of the bag!

Fun with blocks: Purchase some plastic ice cube trays from the grocery or Dollar store. Let your child help fill a few of them with water and a few drops of different colored food coloring and place them in the freezer. Fill the remainder of the trays with jello, after mixing the powder with water, and place those trays in the refrigerator. After 24 hours, take the trays out and dump the blocks of ice and jello into a kiddie pool and let your child get to building the most jiggly and cold structures they have ever built!

Water bottle bowling: Fill empty water bottles with water. Let your child add in a few drops of food coloring and shake until mixed! Set the bottles up like bowling pins and let your child try and knock them over using any kind of ball you have available!

Target practice: Set up some light weight objects: cut pool noodles, sand box toys, empty water bottles, etc. and let your child spray them with a water from a hose with a spray nozzle. It's as easy as that!!

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