

Toadstool Craft



We have spent a lot of time exploring our local woodlands in the last couple of months and have spotted lots of different fungi around the bases of trees and amongst the leaves.



These ones we spotted looked quite magical filled with rain water . They are often known as scarlet elf cups or sometimes fairy baths.

If you would like to find spotter sheets, to explore the plants and fungi in your local woods, then there are lots to choose from on the Plantlife website.

<https://www.plantlife.org.uk/uk/discover-wild-plants-nature/spotter-sheets>

***Remember not to touch any of the fungi you see. Some can be deadly poisonous ***



Inspired by our walks, we made some little toadstools using simple materials we had at home.

To make your own toadstools you will need:

An egg carton

Scissors

A mug or glass

A glue stick

White and green paint

Red or colourful card or paper



Cut one of the point from the egg carton to create a stem.



Take a piece of card or paper. Draw a circle on it by drawing around a mug. Cut a slit from the edge to the centre.



Overlap the edges and glue it to create a cone.

Glue this to the top of your stem and then paint the dots onto it and decorate the base to complete your toadstool.

Another activity we enjoyed was creating our own garden ornaments ready for the summer, using terracotta plant pots and saucers and painting them with acrylic paints. These would look great as part of a fairy garden!

