

WELL DRESSING

Challenge

CRAFT YOUR OWN WELL DRESSING AND DISPLAY IT ON FETE DAY!

What you will need

- ✿ Natural Clay
- ✿ Rolling Pin
- ✿ Cardboard or wooden chopping board
- ✿ Natural Materials

Think about the environment

- ✿ Consider the environmental impact of preparing, carrying out & completing this activity. Could this impact be reduced? Specific considerations for this activity could include:
 - use natural materials from your own garden, that have fallen off the plant
 - use natural rather than air-drying clay. Air-drying clay usually has nylon fibres in it to help reinforce it when it dries – these can get into the natural environment. For the same reason we suggest you do not decorate with glitter as the small particles are plastic and do not break down naturally.

Step One

Look at what colours and materials you have collected to give you inspiration and plan your design.

Draw out a pattern on paper first or go straight to the clay if you feel confident.

Step Two

Roll the clay out onto your board to create a 'canvas' for your decoration – you could do any shape you like – be creative!

Either draw your design straight onto the clay 'by eye' or lay your paper pattern over the clay and prick through the paper with a pencil to mark out your design.

Step Three

Get your natural materials ready and start adding the petals by pressing them gently into the clay. A clay tool with a pointed end is useful for this, or a stick might do the same job.

Step Four

Keep adding the natural materials until you are happy with your finished piece. Leave the clay to dry.

Take your finished Well Dressing to the Village Well on Fete day! Saturday 6th July