

## **FUN ACTIVITY!**

## Let's Make BEE FRIENDLY Seed BOMBS with BOMBuS Bertie!

A seed bomb is a ball made of compost mixed with flour and water into which seeds have been embedded. Once the bomb has been thrown, the seeds will begin to germinate, and the bomb will slowly break apart. The soil will then provide a base for the seeds to start growing. Perfect to throw just before rain! **April to June is the time for seed bombing!** 



## **Seed Bomb Recipe:**

What you will need

- Flour (not the kind with pretty petals! That's a FLOWER)
- Soil/compost (Peat free is best)
- Mixing bowl
- Water
- Native wildflower seeds

## Method

Pick a small pot (or big if you want make lots!) I would suggest a pot the size of a mug for individual children. Or if they are making them as a group a larger pot is fine.

Step 1 Mix 10 (of your chosen size) pots of soil to one of your pots of flour. So whatever size it doesn't matter as long as its 10 soil to 1 flour.

Step 2 Slowly add water and mix slowly until the mixture becomes sticky like dough.

Step 3 Roll into a golf-ball size bombs.

Step 4 Fill a tray with wildflower seeds (Native to your Country).

Step 5 Roll your mud balls around until covered in seeds.

Step 6 Leave to dry for a day or two and then they're ready to throw in your garden or put into a large pot.

- 1. If you are concerned that birds will eat the seeds then add a little paprika to the mix. It won't hurt them but they don't like it!
- 2. In winter, when the birds need some help, they will appreciate some seed bombs containing bird seed