BLUE PLANET LEARNING WEEK: Let’s get creative!

Egg Box Aquariums

You will need
- Old cardboard egg boxes
- Toilet rolls
- Card
- Paint/pens/crayons
- An old box
- Toilet rolls

First, make your aquarium. Use an old box and paint the sea and sand. Add texture using some old rice or real sand if you have any. If you don’t have a box set it up on a plate or old tray and draw a background on some paper.

Next cut up some egg boxes and make tiny sea creatures such as clams, crabs, turtles, lobsters or even penguins. Paint and decorate them and place them in your aquarium.

If you need inspiration google egg box sea creatures and you will be spoilt for choice.

Egg box clay aerials

To make the clay visit: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=sbF4ZbCODmE

Use the papier mache mixture if you don’t have any PVA.

Make a mould from an old bowl, cover in foil and stick the clay onto it and leave to dry.

Once dry decorate however you want and hang from the ceiling.

Papier Mache fish

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=OTKQGMy1Joo

Make your paste and use a balloon or a large bowl covered in cling film as a base.

Cover paper in the paste and layer onto the base repeatedly. Leave to dry (if using a balloon you may have to do both top and bottom on different days)

Add cardboard fins once dry and cover with paper mache and paste again.

Then paint and decorate your creature. Use google for loads of design inspiration.

Top tip – old fruit netting and bubble wrap from the bottom of fruit trays add great texture to decorations

CD/DVD Fish

Use old CDs to make decorative hanging fish. Either draw on scales or stick on sparkly bit of foil for decoration. Finish with some bright fins.

This is a special learning week focussed on the Blue Planet.

Choose from this selection of activities to complete over the week. These all have an art focus however don’t feel limited to those that we have suggested and create any Blue Planet inspired Art that takes your fancy.

Everything here comes from recycled products that you may have in your house. If you don’t have everything improvise and just have fun with your family as you explore the depths of the deep, blue sea.

If you can, take pictures of your efforts and send them to your teacher via your class email.