



Art and Play in the Park – By JellyBean Attic

The great outdoors provides an incredible experience for little tots, giving them space to be themselves and letting them explore the natural world around them through different sights, colours and sounds. Jelly Bean Attic brings Sensory and Process Arts together for toddlers with a series of art workshops held in the parks.

The workshop will use a thematic lens through which toddlers can engage in art-making. By facilitating rather than instructing, the workshop allows the little ones room to explore various materials and mediums to create.

The workshops will focus on process art. It's all about the creation process rather than the outcome. It is also a great time and opportunity to bond with your little ones while making something memorable.

Process art promotes:

- Spatial reasoning
- Fine motor skills
- Sensory exploration
- Gross motor skills and coordination

Term 1

Shapes and colours

1. **Shape collage** - learn about shapes and colours by re-creating your surroundings using shapes. The children will get to cut and glue their shapes to make their picture collage.
2. **Shapes garland** – The children get to learn more shapes and decorate their shapes using different embellishments such as feathers, glitter, buttons, fabric etc, and string them up to get a garland that they can hang in their room.
3. **All about circles** – We focus on circles this week, as well as adding a sensory element by using citrus fruits to create their circular prints.
4. **Mix it up by Herve Tullet** – We will be reading Herve Tullet's interactive book on colour mixing. After the book, the children can try out colour mixing on their own, and using their colours to do leaf / twig stamping
5. **Play with homemade scented playdough** – This week is a hands- on week, where the children can put what they have been learning about shapes into practice. They will make shapes out of playdough, as well as mix colours with the playdough. Everyone will also get to take back a set of playdough to keep exploring and playing at home.
6. **Eric Carle – Draw me a star** – We will explore stars by reading one of our favourite books. The children will learn to make stars out of triangles and play with more fun and sensory embellishments.
7. **Make your own sun catchers** – using some coloured tissue paper, the children get to make their own sun catcher to hang in their room. The sun catcher when held to the sun will allow them to explore colours further.
8. **Kandinsky inspired shapes**. A variation of the original Kandinsky art work, the children can pick one or more shapes that they like and make their own Kandinsky inspired artwork.

Term 2

The Zoo

1. **Flower collage** – use fresh and dried real flower petals to make your own animal picture collage.
2. **Finger painting** of animals on cardboard cut outs.
3. **Zoo animal sensory box** – Have fun playing with different sensory items such as cloud dough and dried pasta in our animal sensory box.
4. **Air Dry Dough animals** – Make their own animals using our homemade salt dough. Once dough is dry, the animal can be painted as a follow up activity at home.
5. **Decorate an animal mask** – The children get to personalise their own animal masks using various embellishments.
6. **Book reading of *Eric Carle*** – Brown bear; stamp your favourite pawprints, and even make your own pawprint stamps out of sponges.
7. **Spice painting** – The children get to mix their own “paints” using various spices such as cinnamon, nutmeg, five spice.
8. Read about **The hungry python** and make your own 3D spiral paper plate snake.