

Wild & Windy

☆ KEY FOCUS
Expressive Arts
& Design

What you need:

- ▶ Twigs
- ▶ Masking tape
- ▶ Thin strips of crepe paper

Where Can I Play:
Outdoors

Let's Play



On a windy day, give each child a strip of masking tape on which to attach some strips of crepe paper. (Make sure the strips go the same way.) Encourage the children to experiment with different colours.

Help the children to attach the strips to their twig, you may need more masking tape.

Go outside with the children and encourage them to run around in the wind moving their streamer sticks around.

Can children work with a partner and make different shapes with their streamers sticks, for example, a square, circle?



Top Tips



- Don't go into wooded areas in high winds.
- Draw a compass on the ground so children can see what direction the wind is blowing.

Questions



- When the wind isn't blowing how can you make your streamers move?
- Where is the windiest part of the outdoor setting?
- Is there anywhere you can find to stop the wind blowing your streamer?
- Which colours do you like best? Why?



Why is this important?

Children can experiment with different colours and talk about how colours make them feel. Children can experience the power of the wind.

Prime Areas of Learning

- C&L** Extend children's vocabulary using colour wheels and paint charts for different shades. Describe different types of winds, introduce the Beaufort Wind Scale.
- PSE** Encourage the children to listen to each other's ideas. Encourage children to talk about how the colours make them feel.
- PD** Suggest children make bigger shapes with their streamers. Can they wave them from a high place?

Specific Areas of Learning

- LIT** Encourage big shapes from the shoulders or elbows to aid the development of handwriting.
- UtW** Encourage children to look at non-fiction books about wind.



Vocabulary

Breeze,
hurricane,
gale

Story Links

The Colour Monster by Anna Llenas
The Windy Day by Anna Milbourne

The Day the Crayons Quit by Drew Daywalt