Individual Activity Lesson Plan Spring/Growing



Date: Friday 3 rd April 2020	
Activity Title: Frozen Herbs and Flowers	
Learning Intention:	Activity Overview:
To use language to share feelings, experiences and thoughts.	Freeze herbs and/or flowers in ice cubes
Links to EYFS:	to enjoy a sensory experience. Role model
Communication and Language: Speaking-22-36 months	language and ask your child simple questions throughout.
Resources:	Key vocabulary:
- Basil - Tulip	Basil, tulip, mint, rose, parsley, lily,
- Mint - Rose	coriander, grass, rosemary, thyme, freeze,
- Parsley - Lily	freezer, cold, hot, ice, cubes, melt, touch,
- Coriander - Grass	feel, hold, smell.
- Rosemary	
- Thyme	

ACTIVITY IMPLEMENTATION (including key question)

Introduction:

- *Show your child a selection of herbs and flowers. Give them the opportunity to hold, feel and smell them. Ask your child questions such as:
- *How do they feel?
- *What can you smell?
- *What colours can you see?

Main Activity:

- In the morning, break the herbs and/or flowers into small pieces. You can do this using your hands, children's scissors, such as play dough scissors, or a knife.
- Place the pieces of herbs/flowers into different sized containers. For example, in a small plastic cup, ice cube tray, an empty butter tub etc. Be imaginative and see what you can find. Try to use containers that are different shapes and sizes.
- Fill the containers with cold water, using a jug or cup to fill them up, and watch the pieces of herbs and flowers float.
- Carefully, put the containers into the freezer and wait patiently whilst they freeze. Alternatively do this the night before.
- *What has happened to the water?
- *How can we break the Ice?
- *What does it feel like?

Review:

Talk to your child about how the ice feels and how we can melt the ice to get the flowers out.

Additional ways to support your child:

- Role model language for your child, encouraging them to repeat words. For example, the names of herbs/flowers, cold, ice, water, fill, and freeze.
- Bring the frozen ice cubes into the bath during bath time with your child, so they can slowly watch the ice cubes melt.

Extension:

- Ask your child more open-ended questions to allow them to communicate using fuller sentences.
- Find different ways in which you can melt the ice. For example, salt or warm water.
- Find other objects that you can freeze. Add food colouring to these and use the ice cubes for mark making.



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