

Outdoor learning ideas for KS2

- **Animal perspectives** - Imagine you are an animal or insect living in your garden and write about your day! You will need to think carefully about what obstacles they may face, what they might eat and when they would sleep! You could choose to write from the perspective of a squirrel, bird, worm, butterfly or an insect/animal of your choice! You could also think about what their place is in the food chain, and what sits above and below them? What other roles do they fulfil?

- **Make a 'Journey stick'** - Children can collect objects on a local walk and use these to make 'journey sticks'. To do this, each child collects a stick and tapes on the objects they find on their walk. Objects can be natural (feathers, leaves, shells) or man-made (small pieces of safe litter). They could also have small pieces of paper and wax crayons to make rubbings of interesting surfaces and they could take photographs of interesting objects. Just remember to discuss with your child beforehand what they should and should not pick up and remind them to wash their hands after the activity.

- **Practise your French!** During a local walk, you could learn the names of different buildings in French. For example, Library in French is bibliothèque.

- **Assault Course Action** - Design and make your own assault course using household objects.

- **Science floating experiment** - Can you build something, using natural objects that floats?

- **'Garden Spotters'** - Play a game of 'Garden Spotters'. Find something in your garden that begins with each letter of the alphabet!

- **Frame making** - Make a beautiful nature frame using cardboard and natural items you find in your garden!



A Beautiful Nature Frame

- **Nature Challenge** - You can use this link to join thousands of people taking part in the annual nature challenge. You can sign up for free for 30 days and receive your nature pack which contains an activity for every day! These activities are recommended to improve your health, well-being and for the planet! <https://action.wildlifetrusts.org/page/57739/petition/1>

- **Youth Sports Trust** - Follow this link to register for the The National Schools Sports Week which begins on the 20th June. The National School Sports Week begins Saturday 20 June. Youth Sport

Trust has teamed up with Sky Sport to run a national campaign which will aim to unite families, schools, sport & businesses to celebrate the power of sport to bring people together 🏆 The UK-wide campaign will challenge people to take on their families, friends and neighbours in virtual sporting challenges – helping them to connect in an unprecedented period of school closures and social distancing <https://www.youthsporttrust.org/national-school-sport-week-home> you will be provided with free videos and activity cards to help you plan a series of challenges across National School Sport Week at Home. You will receive these well in advance of the week itself so you'll have plenty of time to plan your activities. The active challenges will all have an emphasis on togetherness, inclusivity and wellbeing. They will be things you can do within the home, and where you can engage in straightforward virtual competition with friends, neighbours and family outside your home.

- **Create a pebble scenery!** Pebble painting - choose a scenery and think carefully about the colours you will use to create the atmosphere.

- **Natural 3D shapes** - Make some 3D shapes using sticks and tape. Can you make a cuboid, pyramid? Experiment with making different shapes.

- **Name art** - Giant name art - using some old cardboard boxes can you write your name in big bubble letters and decorate with natural objects?

- **Natural pictograph** - Make a pictograph to record the different coloured leaves you can find. Here's a picture to give you an idea.

