Adders are Amazing! Gwiberod Gwych!

13. ADDER NIGHT LIGHTS

INTRODUCTION

Here is a nice simple craft that young children will love. It brings in the concept of recycling as the jars are re-used and if you buy battery powered LED candles, these can be re-used too. Bought in bulk online, the LED candles are not expensive (about 25p each – see ‘Resources’). The effect is a lovely keepsake for children. For this night light, we chose a summer adder scene, but depending on the event you are attending, any season could be used, or even just funky abstract adder patterns!

MATERIALS:

- Empty glass jars (roughly jam jar size) – pre-cleaned and labels removed
- Sheets of different coloured tissue paper
- PVA glue and pots
- Paint brushes
- LED tea light candles
- Safety scissors

MAKE IT!

1. Start by tearing the tissue paper up into strips. Keep the black tissue paper separate as this will be the adder. You might want to cut out a yellow circle for the sun.

2. Then starting at the bottom of the jar, apply a layer of PVA glue with a brush and start adding the tissue paper on to create your scene.
MAKE IT!

3 Work your way up the jar, adding more details. Here we are adding the sun and sky.

4 To create an adder, cut a snake shaped strip of black tissue paper, fold it in half and snip triangles out of along the upper edge.

5 When opened out, the adder will have diamond shapes along its back. You could experiment using other tissue paper colours too.

6 Add your adder and some different shades of green, mixed with pinks and purples to represent heather and you’re done!

7 Put an LED tea light in and when it gets dark, turn it on and enjoy the glow!