
Session type: Workshop

Duration: 60 minutes

Key Stage: EYFS

Main Curriculum Link:

- EYFS – Expressive arts and design

Secondary Curriculum Link:

- EYFS - Understanding the world

Overview

Our Ocean Craft workshops are designed to complement your visit to the National Marine Aquarium by allowing your pupils to get creative in the classroom. We have developed an extensive range of activities that support this; from creating your own wearable habitat hats, to turning paper plates into fabulous fish!

As well as obvious links to the Art & Design specifications in the EYFS and KS1 curriculums, each activity provides opportunities to incorporate different aspects of the curriculum, such as numeracy, literacy, design technology or science in a unique and enjoyable way.

Learning Outcomes

Learning outcomes vary, but can include being able to:

- Use the word habitat to describe a place where a plant or animal lives
- Understand that the sea contains many different habitats
- Give examples to support the idea that different animals are found in different habitats
- Choose and apply a wide range of art and design techniques
- Select a range of appropriate materials to design and make products
- Understand that animals use camouflage to hide from danger and help them hunt
- Describe how camouflage can be through shape, pattern, form, texture and colour
- Explain how an animal's shape, pattern, form, texture and colour might serve many purposes including finding a mate, or warning predators away
- Communicate thoughts and ideas clearly to a group
- Work in partnership with their peers to achieve collaborative outcomes
- Answer simple questions based on observations made during their time with the exhibits

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Example activities

We are constantly updating our selection of Ocean Crafts for EYFS and Key Stage 1 visitors, but some of our most popular sessions include:

- **Paper Plate Fish:** Using the colours, patterns and shapes of the different fish that the students have seen during their visit, they can make their own beautiful 'plate fish'. This can also be easily adapted fit 'The Rainbow Fish' story if specifically requested.
- **Giant Stuffed Sea Creatures:** An excellent team work activity. Working in small groups your pupils will have the chance to build their own 3d sea creatures.
- **Fishy Face Masks:** Continue to explore the amazing animals that the students learnt about with Marina the Mermaid, making your own selection of fish masks to wear back to school.
- **Habitat Hats:** Pupils make their own wearable hats based on the habitats they have seen in the aquarium, from seagrass to coral reefs – there's a habitat out there for all tastes!

Contact us directly to discuss your programme and target learning outcomes and we'll help you find the perfect Ocean Craft Activity.

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