

A Flower for Mummy

This lovely idea for Mother's Day allows children to come up with their own words to put on a special handmade flower. It is a great opportunity to discuss thoughts and feelings.

ENCOURAGES: Construction ★ Communication Skills ★ Literacy



HINTS & TIPS

When painting the wooden stick, paint the top half and push the other end into a large piece of sticky tac or Plasticine so it can dry without touching anything. When the top half is dry, paint the other end and do the same to dry it.

STORE CUPBOARD

- Coloured card in pink, red & yellow
- Sticky tape
- Wooden stick
- Green paint
- Paintbrush
- Black felt-tip pen
- Pencil
- Scissors

1 Paint the wooden stick with green paint and allow to dry. (See Tip box above).

2 Cut out three red and three pink oval shapes – these will be the petals of the flower, then cut out a circle from yellow card to make the flower centre.

3 Lay the yellow card circle on a flat surface and arrange the petals, right side down, around it. Make

sure they are placed in alternating colours. Use sticky tape to stick them all together in the centre.

4 Turn the flower over to the right side. Use a black felt-tip to write on the centre yellow circle 'My mummy is...' Children may be able to help with the writing or follow pencil dots which they can go over.

5 Talk with each child about words they think describe their mummy. With a little discussion children should be able to associate words with their feelings when thinking about their mums. Help children to write a word onto each petal.

6 Attach the green painted stick to the back of the flower with sticky tape.