

Eco Craft Activity introductory speech

Thank you for coming to this eco craft session. Before we start I just need to go through a couple of quick safety points. There are no fire drills planned, so if the alarm sounds please make your way quickly and quietly to the tennis courts where a nominal role will be taken. If at any stage you feel ill, please speak to a member of staff.

So, why are we here today?

I'm running this activity as part of my Silver Arts Award and would like to thank people who have helped me, and of course Mr Guille. The aim of today's activities is to show you how you can make fun christmas decorations using natural materials. As I am sure you all know, glitter is really bad for the environment as it is made of plastic and often finds its way into our water system and into the sea. Glitter is made from a micro plastic which is harmful to people and animals. Animals die because it builds up in their systems so as you can see, there is no glitter here today.

There are two activities for you to try, decorating a wooden slice to hang on your christmas tree and also a chance to make a mini christmas tree using a pine cone and a pot to stand it in. Before we start please can you write your name on the bottom of the pot and on the reverse side of your wood slice.

I would suggest you paint your pot first and then use it to stand your pinecone in while you then paint it. Once you have finished, please leave it on the windowsill to dry, I would also really appreciate it if you could write on a post-it before you leave just a few words of feedback to let me know if you've enjoyed it and your name. It is also a really important part of this activity. If you have questions just ask as I come round.

(Under 2 minutes)