

BEE CRAFT

You will need:

- toilet roll tube
- black and yellow paint or crayons/felt-tips/coloured pencils
- paint brush
- stapler
- black pipe-cleaners
- scissors
- glue stick
- bee wing template (available on the West Cheshire Museums website)
- old newspaper and cardboard

How to make your Bee Craft:

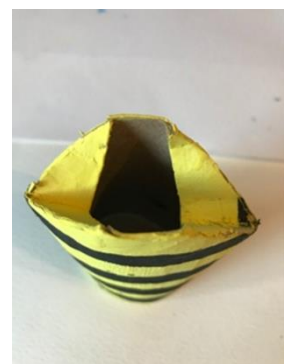
1. Paint your toilet roll tube yellow and let it dry completely.



2. Paint some black stripes around the tube and let the paint dry completely



3. Fold down the sides of one end of the tube.



4. Then staple the two ends together.



5. Repeat this process for the other end of the tube, but before stapling the end push in a small piece of pipe-cleaner - this is the bee's stinger.
6. Then poke 3 holes on each side of the tube - make sure an adult does this bit - and push 3 black pipe cleaners through both holes - these are the bee's legs.
7. If you have some googly eyes in your craft box then stick these on, if not then draw some eyes, cut them out and stick them on, or simply draw some eyes straight onto the tube.



8. To make the bee's wings, print off the bee wing template off the West Cheshire Museums website and then cut shapes out, draw round them on newspaper and cut them out. The small newsprint gives a great pattern effect for the wings.
9. To make the wings sturdier I backed them onto an old piece of card - you could use card from an old cereal box etc. Finally glue the wings onto the bee's body.



If you've got more toilet rolls you could make more bees!

You could join them all together into a bee mobile and make some flowers to hang amongst them.

