



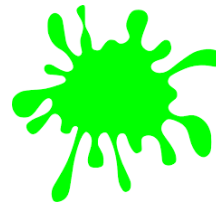
Oasis Craft – 30th July This week – Pasta Craft

**Pasta is an amazingly versatile craft resource
and the wide range of shapes makes it so fun to play with!**

Painted Pasta



Just painting the shapes can be fun. Keep the colours separate with separate brushes so they stay fresh. Alternatively, add paint to a plate and let your little one enjoy rolling the pasta around with their fingers! When the pasta is completely dry it's ready to be used as craft material.



Dyed Pasta

Another way to colour your pasta is to dye it. This is especially good if you want to do quite a lot of it. You will need:

- Airtight container or ziplock bags
- Pasta
- White or distilled vinegar
- Tablespoon
- Food colouring
- Paper towels



Put the pasta into airtight containers or ziplock bags. Add 3 or 4 tbsp. of vinegar to each container. The more pasta you have, the more vinegar you'll need. Add several drops of food colouring, close the container and shake it until the colour is evenly distributed. Put several layers of



paper towels on a table and pour on the pasta. Leave it to dry for several hours, or overnight if possible.

Colour Sorting



This is a great activity for little ones. Make thick circles of play dough in different colours and use them to sort the different coloured pastas into groups by sticking them in. You could then sort them according to shape as a separate activity.

Pasta and Play Dough Construction

So simple, but so good for little hands! Use small bits of play dough as “cement” and build up all sorts of buildings, towers and shapes!

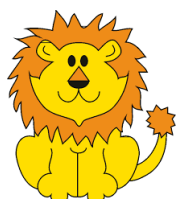


If you add in pipe cleaners, they can be threaded with pasta and used to create bendy shapes like arches.



Friendly Lion

This is a painted paper plate with some fusilli shapes stuck around the edge to create a lovely shaggy mane.



HAVE FUN!!