



## Oasis Craft – 6<sup>th</sup> August This week – Icy Fun!

**Playing with ice and using it to create fun artworks is a great way for little ones to experiment and to use their fine motor skills. The melting ice and the textures fascinate small children.**

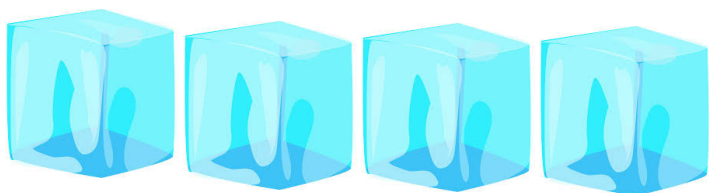
### Painting With Ice



Painting with ice is a whole new experience! To make your “brushes”, just fill an ice cube tray with water and add a few drops of food colouring to each, stirring well. Add in a lolly stick to each and freeze until solid. (Remember that the food colouring can stain as it melts!) You can also use

paint, but put the paint in first and then stir in the water.

As an alternative, you can simply make the cubes without the sticks. Probably best to use the paint for these ones!



Using paint in the ice cubes makes the colours beautifully intense.



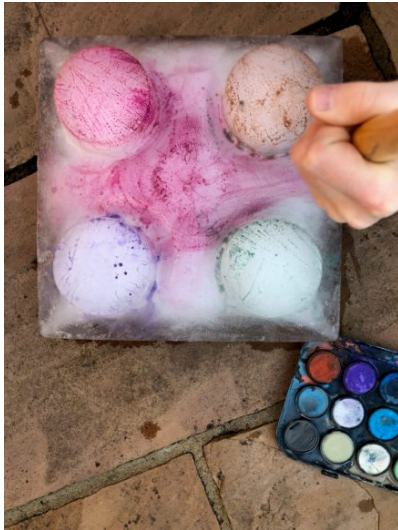


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## Painting On Ice



This “canvas” has been made by filling the lid of a box of plastic bricks with water and then freezing it. When it’s turned out it makes an interesting 3-D shape to paint onto. Children enjoy seeing how the paint reacts when painted on to the ice and how it changes as the ice melts.

This rounded shape could be made by filling a plastic bottle with water, freezing it and then cutting it off. Your child could then paint stripes around or over the ice.



You could also empty lots of ice cubes into a plastic box or tray and enjoy dripping paint over it and seeing how it moves about and colours the ice. This looks like a box of jewels!



When you’ve finished having fun painting either with or onto ice, you could gently press sheets of paper over the finished pieces and then lay them out to dry. The new sheets make pretty backgrounds for drawing on!

## Ice Print Paper



# HAVE FUN!!

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