

Mixing Colours and Making Paint

As an extension from the experience of mixing water colours the children have this week been using powder paint and mixing their own colours. The children are provided with red, blue and yellow powder paint, small mixing containers, water and a brush. Small spoons of powder paint are added to the pots with water and mixed to create paints of various consistency and colour.

The children explore colours created through combining 1,2 or 3 primary colours and discover how the amount of water contributes to the consistency of the paint.

Children are more interested in the experimentation and discovery than painting recognisable pictures with the paint they have made. The paintings taken home reflect this experimentation and are a record of the various colours created. Children are also responsible for cleaning out the paint pots once finished so as they are ready for the next person.

Adding colour to shaving foam has also allowed for colour mixing experimentation and reading Press Here has encouraged children to communicate their findings and understandings of colour combinations.

