

### Summers still here

Summer is still here and below are more creative ideas to keep you in the spirit.



#### Paper Plants

Being outdoors in summer is amazing. This craft allows us to bring a small part of the outside in... and you don't need to water it.

Card is the main material for this craft and along with the easy to follow template you can create your own.

Instructions found at [oscn.nz/files/paperflowers.pdf](https://oscn.nz/files/paperflowers.pdf)



#### Jar Lid Suncatchers

Preserving jar screw bands and clear film (or baking paper) can make a very effective sun catcher.

Use sharpies to trace your favourite pattern onto the film, colour it in and then glue it into the lid... simple.

Instructions found at [oscn.nz/files/jarsuncatchers.pdf](https://oscn.nz/files/jarsuncatchers.pdf)

### Floating Flowers

Here's another good craft for bringing the outdoors in.

Start by drying flowers, leaves, nature etc then glue them to a clear film and you have a beautiful craft.

Instructions found at [oscn.nz/files/floatingflowers.pdf](https://oscn.nz/files/floatingflowers.pdf)



### Summer Pencil Holders

Time to get sorted for back to school with this stationary organisation craft. A simple tin can with some card and a bit of imagination and you have your very own stationary holder.

Instructions found at [oscn.nz/files/summerpencilholder.pdf](https://oscn.nz/files/summerpencilholder.pdf)



### Links

Check out the OSCN craft page [oscn.nz/activities](https://oscn.nz/activities) for more ideas



### Water



#### Sponge Ball

This activity will leave you with a handy resource to cool those summer days.

Sponge bombs are great for water fights and are made of cut kitchen sponges and string.

Instructions found at [oscn.nz/files/spongeball.pdf](https://oscn.nz/files/spongeball.pdf)



#### Pool Scrabble

Another good use for sponges is a game of pool scrabble. Use sponges to create letter tiles that swimmers will collect then bring to the poolside to spell words.

Instructions found at [oscn.nz/files/poolscrabble.pdf](https://oscn.nz/files/poolscrabble.pdf)



#### Simple Marbling

Marbling can be a tricky art to master but this simple set of instructions will make for an amazing craft activity with cool results.

Marbling is usually hard because the water is too fluid, but adding some wallpaper paste will thicken the water making it easier to make beautiful patterns.

Instructions found at [oscn.nz/files/simplemarbling.pdf](https://oscn.nz/files/simplemarbling.pdf)

Once completed the marbled paper can be used for many different crafts. From cards to covered books or even just admired as a piece of art

### Go fishing

This is a simple tried and tested craft that can be used as a game played time and time again.

Full detailed instructions found at [oscn.nz/files/gofishing.pdf](https://oscn.nz/files/gofishing.pdf)

This activity will suit a younger age bracket, however if you adapt it by making a paper clip hook and not a magnet one, you will make it much harder.



### Find the resources

Sponges can be found at most discount stores, they will be thinner and great for the pool scrabble however you will need to get thicker sponges for the balls. These can be found at supermarkets. If you use the thinner ones you will need more to get the same effect.