

## Ideas for Cross-Curricular Outdoor Activities

- Take a nature/art walk. Using clipboards and drawing paper, sketch the bees and other insects you see on the walk. Sketch the plants that they are drawn to.

*required materials* – paper, pencil

*optional materials* – clipboard (or stiff cardboard/hardcover book), magnifying glass

- Choose a plant that you like. Create a “family portrait” of this plant including what this plant looks like as an infant, an adolescent, an adult, and a senior citizen.

*required materials* – paper, pencil

*optional materials* - crayons, markers, pencil crayons, paints

- Design and plant a bee friendly garden. Create infographics for each plant explaining how they help the bees. Use bee drawings on the infographics.

<https://www.buzzaboutbees.net/honey-bee-anatomy.html>

<https://thehoneybeeconservancy.org/plant-a-bee-garden/>

- Use natural materials found in your home/yard/neighbourhood to create a temporary image. Photograph what you have created.



- Gather a selection of leaves. Use block printing ink or tempera paint to print them on paper. Recreate the forest from the leaves. (each leaf now becomes a tree).



- Take a walk around your school, your neighbourhood, or park. Keep track of where you turn, how far you walk, etc. Draw a map of your adventure. Add drawings to the map to show features you saw (trees, buildings, insects, animals, ...)



- Use sidewalk chalk to trace a friend. Add animal or insect features to the tracing to transform your friend into a bumblebee girl, a butterfly guy, a forest creature teacher!