



Bubbles

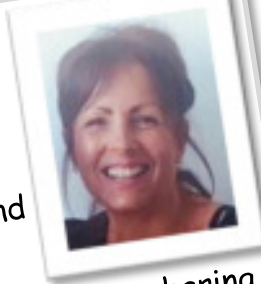
Hello everyone!

Hope you are all well and keeping safe during these challenging times.

My name is Donna, I'm an Early Years Practitioner and I facilitate our Stay & Play sessions.

I thought it would be a nice to keep in touch with you all by sharing some very simple activities you can all do together at home.

Hope you enjoy getting creative and having fun making bubbles



What is my child learning whilst making Bubbles?

Encourage Experimentation Physical

Magical bubbles are an easy entry point to use to inspire joy and experimentation. The freedom to make a mess, try different tools and explore bubbles allows kids to learn about cause and effect and to think freely, helping them form a foundation for **creative thinking** later on.

Development

Play with bubbles is wonderfully physical, giving your child a chance to build **gross motor skills** and hand-eye coordination as kids chase after and pop bubbles.

Persistence

Children also develop **persistence and grit** as they adjust their approach to using various materials to make bubbles.

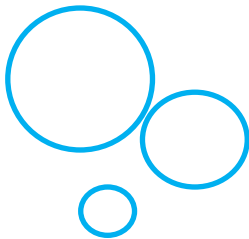
Literacy Skills

As they listen to literature about bubbles and share ideas about the size, shape, feel and sounds of their bubbles, kids develop **communication** and literacy skills.

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Materials:

- 1 large container (a glass jar is good to observe)
- 1/2 a cup of washing-up liquid
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- 2 teaspoons of sugar

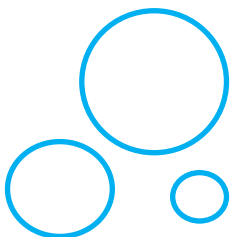


Method:

- Pour the washing-up liquid into the jar
- Add the water
- Add the sugar and stir gently

What can we see and learn?

- Feel, smell and look at the mixture. What do you notice?
- Feel, smell and look at the bubbles. Are they big or small, Do they fly up high? How long do they last? Is it better to blow softly or harder? How many can you count? Can you catch them?
- Why not make a video or do a drawing to show your bubbles?



You can use just about anything to make a bubbles if you do not already have a bubble wand.

Plastic soft drink bottles:

Cut the bottom off the bottle and dip.

Use the lid end of the bottle to blow your bubbles.

Drinking straws:

These will make tiny bubbles.

Pipe cleaners:

Make into a circle or try another shape

Plastic funnel:

This already has a natural shape for a bubble wand. Use the large end to dip in your mixture and the small end to blow.

