

Connecting with te taiao

Read pukapuka under the trees, this might be independent reading or could be the perfect activity to share with a buddy class.



Notice things you can see and hear - what adjectives can you use to describe these things?

Discover the most fun or relaxing parts of your school outside - introduce each other to your favourite spaces and places. Notice how different places can change how you feel.



Get outside and draw or paint your surroundings or scenery.

Basic fact battles - Move around a space and when you tag another classmate you have to count, "tahi, rua, toru" then both tamariki chose a number between 0-10 to display on their fingers, they can either add or multiply (depending on where they're at) and race to call the answer out.

Write poems about what you can see, hear, touch and smell. Start with "One thing that I have noticed is... " just as one example.



Build a hut or cubby together.

Spend some time Puku breathing while lying on the grass, this could start with some cloud watching - sparking creativity with what the clouds might look like.



Tamariki teach their friends - to kick or catch a ball, handstand or cartwheel, to dance, to play a game that they love.

Play hopscotch or 4 square.

Look for spider webs, manu or insects.

Make some bark rubbings.

Make a game from what you find, e.g. pick up sticks, kōhatu stacking or knucklebones...

Take the time to head out and explore a local park or reserve.

