

ICE AGE PONDS

MAMMOTH DUNG



Can you imagine mammoths roaming Herefordshire?

Thousands of years ago, Woolly Mammoths would have used these Ice Age Ponds as watering holes and they would have grazed the local areas for food. Mammoths were herbivores which means they ate plants, but more specifically they were grazers which means they ate grass. Why don't you have a go at making your own Mammoth Dung by making playdough and by collecting natural bits and bobs from outdoors to mimic the diet the Mammoths would have eaten.

What you will need:

1.5 cups plain flour, 1/2 cup of salt, 2 teaspoons cream of tartar, 2 tablespoons of oil, 1 cup boiling water and a few drops of food colouring.

From the garden or collected on a walk you will need thin twigs, dried leaves, moss and dried grass.



To make your Mammoth Dung you will first be making a batch of no-bake playdough! Add all the dry ingredients into a bowl and mix them together. Then add the wet ingredients and mix until all the ingredients come together. Using your hands, knead the dough for a minute until smooth. As simple as that, your play dough is ready!

Use your gathered twigs, leaves and moss to mix into your playdough to create your very own Mammoth Dung! These natural items will make your playdough look like real dung would have done all those years ago.

Perhaps you could mould your own Mammoth out of playdough and use the natural items you've gathered to decorate it!

Always ask for an adults help when using boiling water!

