



Craft Activity

Theme: Adelaide Cup

Intro: Giddy Up, It's Adelaide Cup Day!! Adelaide Cup is a horse race run in South Australia every March. Learn more about Adelaide Cup and horses at Playgroup today.

Craft activity: Make a hobby horse

Children will need: Horse head template, coloured cardboard, sticker eyes, glue, sticky tape, long cardboard roll or stick, collage materials (crepe paper, wool, stickers, glitter), pencils, crayons or markers, scissors

Instructions:

Trace template onto coloured cardboard and cut out. Decorate your horse head using stickers, crepe paper, markers, crayons or any other collage material. Sticky tape the horse head to a stick or long cardboard roll. Use your horse to gallop around the room.

Extension ideas:

Can you build a stable from blocks or boxes for your horse? Parents/Carers may need to help with cutting and sticking the horse head onto the cardboard roll. A hole punch could be used to make holes down the back of your horse. Children can use wool to thread and tie through each hole to make a woollen mane. Coconut husks can be used to make the clip clop sound of horse hooves.

Fact: Horses can sleep standing up or laying down.



Learning Outcome 2: Children are connected with and contribute to their world.



Coordinator extension ideas and group time guide

Sensory activity: Horse Play Tray

You will need: Tray, straw/hay, plastic horses, sand and small fences.

Place the items into the tray. Children can pretend to feed the horses, jump fences or gallop across the sand.

Outside activity: Hobby horse races

Use your hobby horses you made at the craft table to run your own Adelaide Cup race.



Group time ideas:

- Who made a hobby horse today?
- What colour is your horse?
- Did you give your horse a special name?
- Did you race in the Playgroup Adelaide Cup?
- What tricks can your horse do? Can you show your Playgroup friends?
- Do you know the special name of the people who rides the horses in the race?

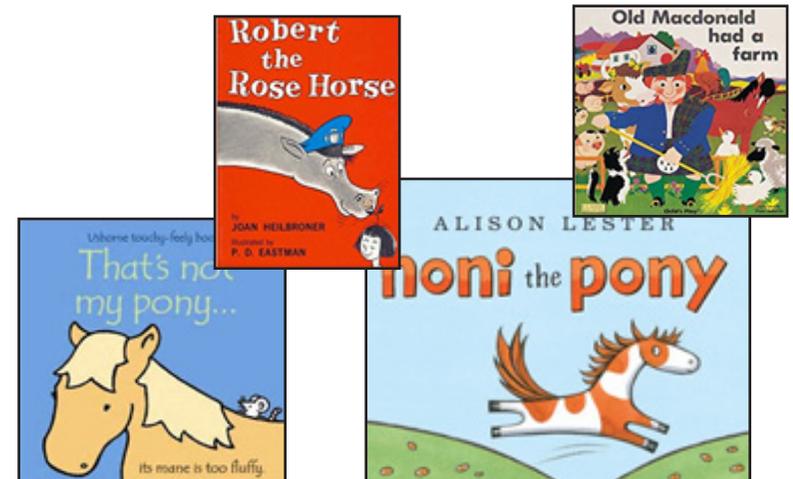
Book Suggestion:

Noni the Pony by Alison Lester

That's not my Pony... by Fiona Watt

Robert the Rose Horse by Joan Heilbroner

Old Macdonald had a farm by Pam Adams





Ride a Cock-horse to Banbury Cross

Children can use their hobby horse to ride around while babies and younger children can sit on their parent/carers lap and bounce up and down during this song.

Tune: Have You Ever Seen A Lassie?
Ride a cock-horse to Banbury Cross,
To see a fine lady upon a white horse;
Rings on her fingers and bells on her toes,
And she shall have music wherever she goes.

Horsey Horsey

Horsey horsey don't you stop
Just let your feet go clippety-clop
Your tail goes swish and the wheels go round
Giddy up, we're homeward bound.

If You're a Horse & You Know it

If you're a horse and you know it trot around,
If you're a horse and you know it trot around,
If you're a horse and you know it then you really
ought to show it,
If you're a horse and you know it trot around.

If you're a horse and you know it say "neigh"
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ought to show it,
If you're a horse and you know it say "neigh".

Ten Little Horses

Ten little horses galloped into town, (Gallop hands to front.)
Five were black and five were brown, (Emphasize one hand, then the other.)
They galloped up, (Gallop hands up.)
They galloped down, (Gallop hands down.)
Then they galloped out of town. (Gallop hands back behind your back.)

Old Macdonald had a Farm

Old Macdonald had a farm, E-I-E-I-O
And on his farm he had a horse, E-I-E-I-O
With a "neigh, neigh" here and a "neigh, neigh" there
Here a "neigh" there a "neigh"
Everywhere a "neigh, neigh"
Old Macdonald had a farm, E-I-E-I-O.

Continue with other farm animals.

