



Playgroup SA

Playgroup Weekly Session Planner

Emergency Services - Firefighters

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CRAFT ACTIVITY

The South Australian Metropolitan Fire Service started in 1862. There are 32 fire stations in South Australia.

Craft activity: Fire Truck Painting

Children will need: Red, yellow and orange paint, white paper, small fire truck toy (3 if you have them), paper plates and sponges.

Instructions: Place the sponges onto the paper plates and pour a small amount of 1 colour paint to the sponge. Run the wheels of the fire truck through the sponges then roll across the paper. Can you make your painting look like a fire?

Extension ideas:

Any cars can be fine for this activity if you don't have fire trucks. You can also fingerpaint or use a thick paint brush. Try the paint on different coloured paper. Dark coloured paper will make the "fire" stand out. You could also use chalk on black card or paper.

Fact: Dalmation breed dogs were used as the first Fire Sirens. They used to run ahead of the horse-drawn carts and clear the path so the cart could proceed safely. Fire trucks use water to fight fires but can also make foam as well.



Learning Outcome 2: Children are confident and involved learners.



OUTDOOR ACTIVITY

Put out the Fire!

Draw a pretend fire with chalk, on the ground or a chalk board.
Use a spray bottle filled with water to “put out” the fire.

SENSORY ACTIVITY

“Fire” Playdough

You will need: Playdough recipe to make red, yellow and orange playdough, tray, fire role play resources

Instructions: Make the playdough, with the children or before Playgroup. Use trays to set up a “small world tray” where children can play with the fire trucks, fire fighters, “fire” playdough, etc.

GROUP TIME IDEAS

Discuss the “stop, drop, cover and roll” procedure. Get the children to practice this action. You can also practice “get down low and go, go, go”. This action helps people escape from smoke and poisonous air.



BOOK SUGGESTIONS

The Firefighters by Sue Whiting & Donna Rawlins

Firefighter (Busy People) by Lucy George & Ando Twin.

