

# Physical developm



# **Ice Cube Painting**



5 - 8 mins



2-3 years

### **Experience**

Invite your child to help you make coloured ice cubes. Mix water and food colouring together to make different colours and pour into ice cube mould or cupcake mould. Once frozen, you can remove ice cubes. Invite your child to pick up the ice cubes and rub them over a piece of paper to create a drawing

### **Optional**

Place plastic wrap over filled ice cube tray, poke a toothpick or paddlepop stick through plastic wrap into each ice cube section. When frozen this forms a handle.

### **Learning benefits**

- Increases colour recognition
- Increases fine motor skills (small muscle skills)
- Sensory experience

## **Materials**

Ice cube tray or muffin tin Food colouring Paper

# Hints and Tips

Played indoors or outdoors

Introduce new words: frozen, cold, melt

Label colours

Provide encouragement