

## Midsummer

Midsummer has the longest number of daylight hours in the year

To celebrate, can you find the longest things in the Wyre Forest eg:

Which is the tallest tree?

Which is the longest snake?

Who has the longest tail?

Which bird has the longest beak?

Which is the longest trail you can walk round?

How many other "longest" things can you find?



# Summer



## Make a hammock

To make the most of the lovely warm days and evenings of summer, you might find it handy to have a hammock in the garden.

These websites have step by step instructions on how to make a hammock.

<http://www.tothewoods.net/HammockCamping.html>

<http://www.uniqueprojects.com/projects/hammock/hammock.htm>

<http://chestofbooks.com/crafts/popular-mechanics/Amateur-Work-1/Making-Hammocks-I-A-Net-Hammock.html>



## Fruit smoothie

And whilst you are lying in that hammock what better than a fruit cocktail to quench your thirst? Here's a recipe to get you started, but why not make up your own with your favourite forest fruits eg. blackberries and bilberries?

Ingredients (serves 4):

1 whole pineapple cubed

Juice of 4 oranges

Juice of 2 limes

Juice of 2 lemons



Blend the pineapple until smooth and then add the juice of the other fruit and blend again. For extra sweetness add strawberries to the mix and reblend.

Serve chilled!

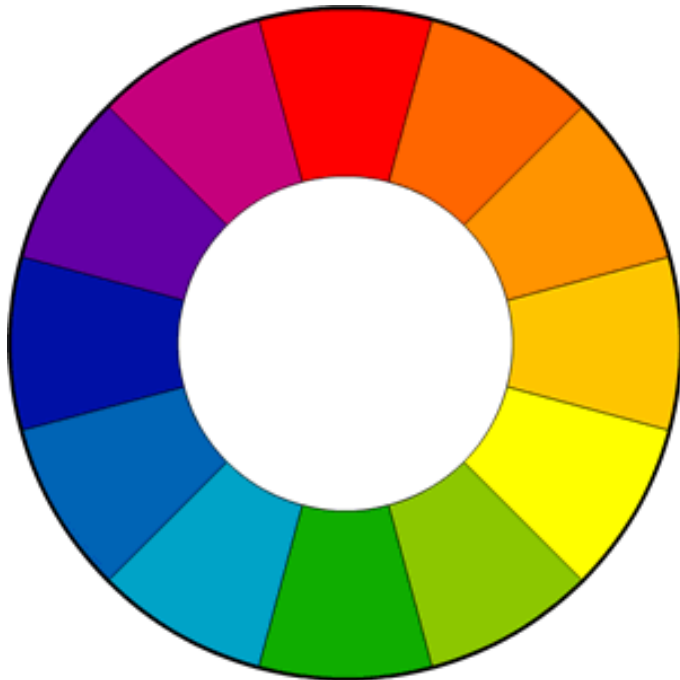


## Summer colours

Look out of your window at your garden or take a walk in your local park with your friends or family.

Use the colour wheel to choose colours that best match the summer landscape. Take a piece of card and write the title "SUMMER" at the top. Now try to paint at least 10 splodges of paint that you think represent summer. Don't try to paint a picture - just big splodges of colours.

Now collect natural objects and materials that match these colours and fix them to the same piece of card.



## Climate change

Summer seems to be changing but is it getting wetter or is it getting drier?

Be a researcher and gather evidence of changes in the climate using a calendar and a bucket to record the amount of rainfall.

The best research can take years so you will need to be patient!



Why not start a scrap book with evidence that you gather. You could include newspaper cuttings and magazine articles as well as photos, sketches and notes.

Each year compare your notes from previous years and see what the latest press stories are.

Use the following wordsearch to find 16 ways of helping the environment and reducing the impact of climate change.

## Climate change wordsearch

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walk  
reduce  
reuse  
recycle  
low emmissions  
solar power  
wind power

wave power  
think global  
act local  
turn off taps  
turn off lights  
holiday in UK  
shower  
no hoses