



Pussy Willows

Activity - Paint Pussy Willows

Supplies:

Real pussy willow branches
 Pastel paper
 Brown crayons
 White paint and trays
 Damp finger washing cloths

Method:

Study real pussy willows.
 Draw branches on paper.
 Use fingerprints in white paint to make buds.

Intentions:

Bring the outside in; provide a sensory art experience, celebrate sign of spring

Curriculum Links:

Science, Art, Oral Language

Story:

Spring Changes, E. B. Senisi
 What Happens in Spring? S.L. LTA
 Everything Spring, J. Esbaum

Song:

I Know A Little Pussy from
<http://bussongs.com/songs/i-know-a-little-pussy.php>

Snack:

popcorn

Conversation Starters:

What will pussy willows turn in to?
 What other signs of spring are there?
 What season do you like best? Explain.

Suggestions:

Encourage participants to touch pussy willows.
 Add a touch of black paint to make the white a more realistic colour.