Victoria Park **Sketchbook**



About Victoria Park

Victoria Park and Watercress Fields is Ashford's largest park, there is a wealth of history, exciting play spaces, interesting ecology, and quiet spaces to relax.





Your Victoria Park Sketchbook

was co-designed by artist Becky Vincer with KS2 children from Ashford Oaks, Beaver Green, John Wesley and St Simon's primary schools in Ashford, Kent.

They experimented with art materials, played games and visited the park to invent and test the activities in this sketchbook.

You are invited to take your sketchbook to the park, along with some simple art materials, and find new ways of looking, making and enjoying Victoria Park and Watercress Fields.



"Do not worry about making perfect pictures.

You and your sketchbook are supposed to get a bit muddy and damp.

Just have fun and see where your creativity takes you today!"

-Becky Vincer, Artist

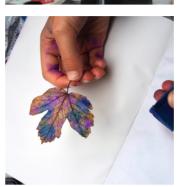
Artwork by: Freya & Teddie, St Simons. Suhan, Beaver Green. Esme & Oliver, John Wesley. Photos by: Bethany Chater & Becky Vincer.

Photo Gallery: Pupils from Ashford Oaks, Beaver Green, John Wesley and

























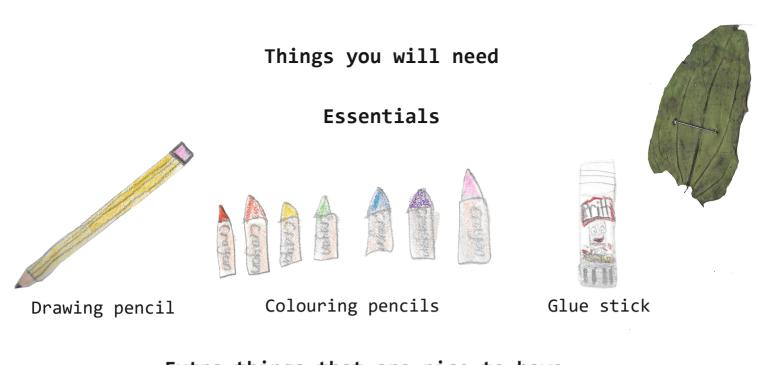




St Simons School creating the activities in this book.



Photos by: Bethany Chater & Becky Vincer.
Backgrounds by: Teigan, Beaver Green. Archie. St Simons.





Be Kind & Take Care

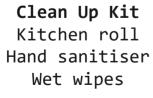
We have put together a list of some of our favourite art materials, but you can use anything you already have.

It can also be fun to use natural materials that you find in the park, such as leaves, mud and sticks.

Please make sure you look after yourself and the park by:

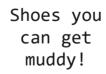
- Being kind and respectful to other park users, including the wildlife
- Leaving no lasting marks for example on trees, buildings, and pathways
- Using fallen leaves, acorns, sticks and other natural materials
- Leaving flowers and plants to grow so other people can enjoy them
- Never taking risks that could harm you, the wildlife, trees or plants
- Washing your hands after touching things in the park

Putting your litter in the bin

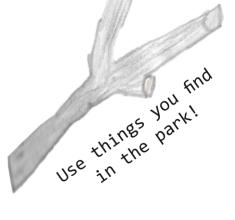












Artwork by: Riley, Azmi, Tommy, Damon & Violet, Beaver Green.
Kacper, Robyn, Freya, Jayden & Evie, St Simons. Phoebe, Faye & Oscar,
Ashford Oaks. Lola, John Wesley.



Activity by: Dylan, Annabelle & Abigail, John Wesley. Artwork by: Isabella & Harry, John Wesley. Ella, St Simons.

Stick Grass HereMake it into something

Activity by: Persephone & Dominic, Beaver Green. Artwork by: Jessie & Lacey, Ashford Oaks.



Make some music

Write a rap or song about the park
 Find things you can make sounds with

3. Perform your words and sounds together

Rub this page on things that smell good





Activity by: Perrie & Lola, John Wesley. Laylar & Faith, Beaver Green. Artwork by: Chloe, Beaver Green. Anusha, Ashford Oaks.

Move your body!

Bounce like a rabbit
Fly like a bird
Run like a dog
Peck like the crows
Hop like a grasshopper





Activities by: Tommy & Aarav, John Wesley. Jessica, Ruby, Lily, Sianelle, Millie & Isla-Rae, Ashford Oaks. Artwork by: Layla, Beaver Green.





Activity by: Olivia & Iasmina, Beaver Green. Tilly, John Wesley. Artwork by: Phoebe, John Wesley. Daisy, St Simons.



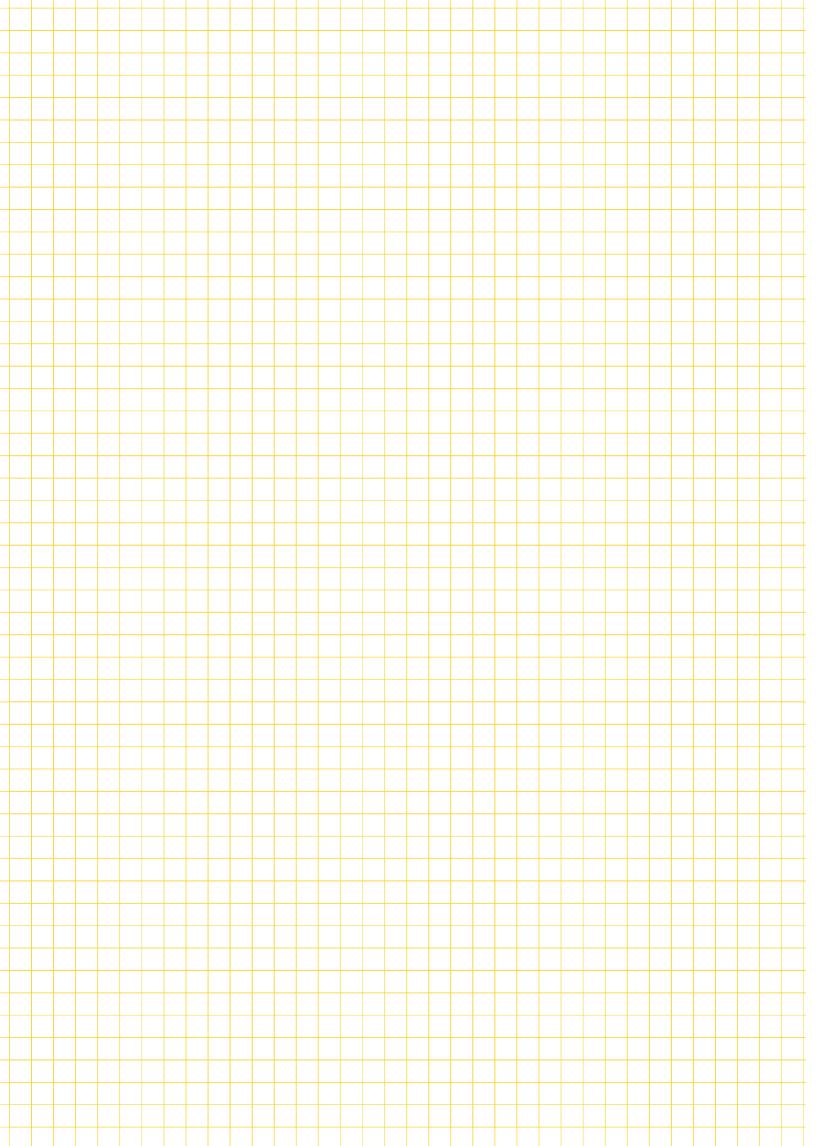


Activity by: Dylan, Edith, Jayden & Matthew, John Wesley. Vergil, Beaver Green. Anusha, Emily, Maja & Kai, Ashford Oaks. Artwork by: Anusha & Zach, Ashford Oaks. Amelia, St Simons.

Rip out this page...
Use it to make a mask of something you would find in the park

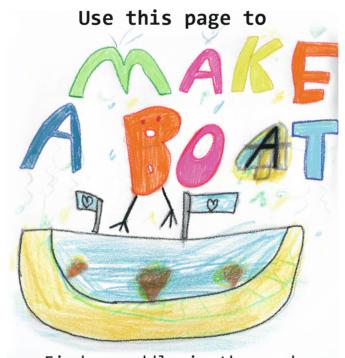
Activity by: John Wesley and Ashford Oaks.

Artwork by: Ruby, Ezina & William, Ashford Oaks. Tegan, John Wesley.



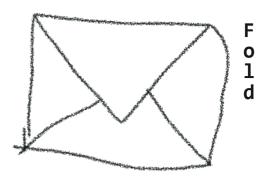
Tear out this page and make a 3D flower

Activity by: Jennie, John Wesley.



Find a puddle in the park to see if it floats





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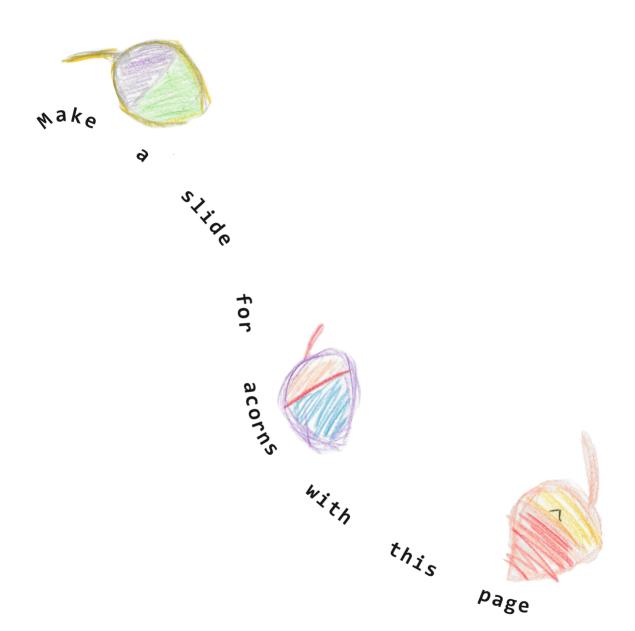
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Artwork by: Kai, Ashford Oaks. Hollie, Beaver Green.





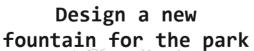
Activity by: Freddey, Ashford Oaks. Maddie, St Simons. Artwork by: Joey, John Wesley. Aleeza, Beaver Green.



Cut out your own butterfly wings and tape them to a stick



Activity by: Violet, Beaver Green. Lilly, Ashford Oaks. Artwork by: Willow, Ashford Oaks. Becky Vincer, Artist.





Activity by: Kacper, Maddie & Estelle, St Simons. Perrie, Declan, & Aiden, John Wesley. Rubie, Beaver Green. Artwork by: Aiden & Tegan, John Wesley. Jessica, Ashford Oaks. Charlie, Hanoc & Ruth, St Simons.

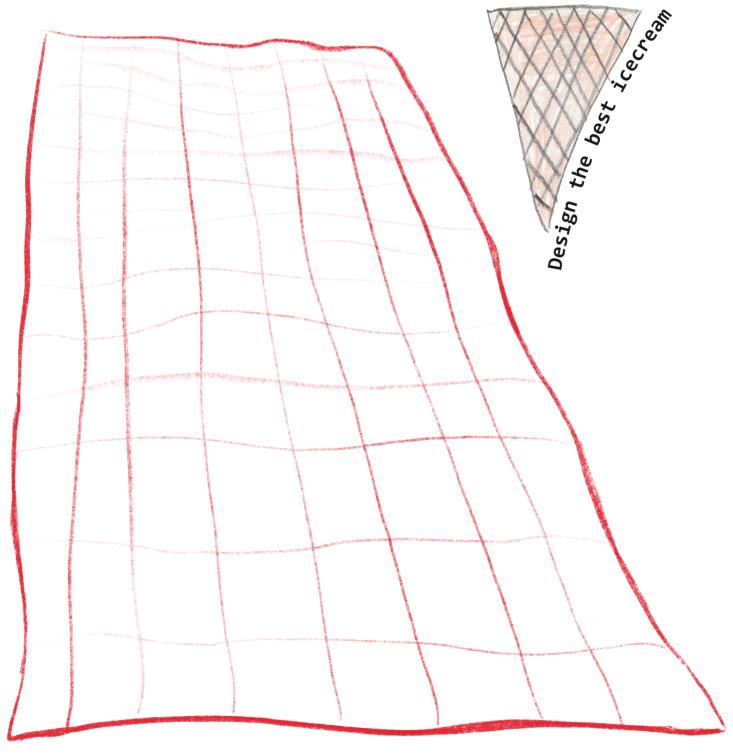




Activity by: Delight & Kavithan, St Simons. Aiden & Bridie, John Wesley. Sophia, Ashford Oaks. Damon & Laylar, Beaver Green.

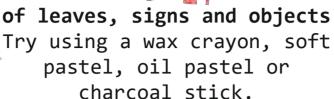
Artwork by: Harry, John Wesley.

Fill this blanket with a picnic



Activities by: Ellie-Mai & Jessica, Ashford Oaks. Artwork by: Ellie-Mai, Ashford Oaks. Becky Vincer, Artist.



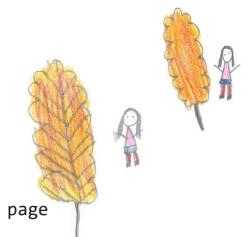




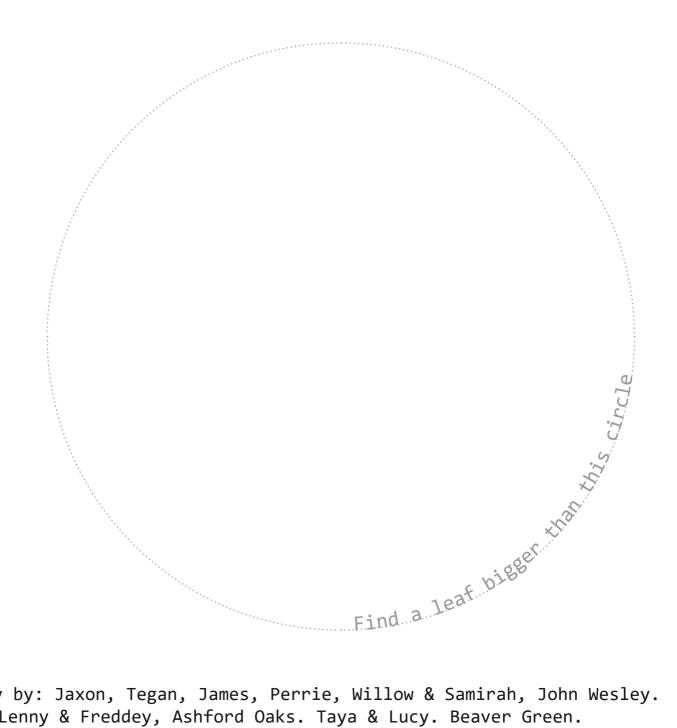


Many benches at Victoria Park have numbers or writing on them that you could use

Activity by: Emre, Beaver Green. Joey, John Wesley. Bernice, St Simons. Artwork by: Saraghang, St Simons. Aiden, John Wesley.



Collect leaves in different shapes & sizes Trace or stick them on this page



Activity by: Jaxon, Tegan, James, Perrie, Willow & Samirah, John Wesley. Lenny & Freddey, Ashford Oaks. Taya & Lucy. Beaver Green. Artwork by: Willow, John Wesley.



Activity by: Annabel, Jaxon & Tilly, John Wesley. Emily, Beaver Green. Maja, Zach & Sharine, Ashford Oaks. Artwork by: Maja & Olivia, Ashford Oaks. Emily, Beaver Green. Make a picture of a kingfisher, water vole and a white-clawed crayfish.





you know?
The Great River
Stour runs along the
edge of Victoria Park.
It is an ideal habitat for
kingfishers, water voles and
white-clawed crayfish.

Activity by: Henry & Alex, St Simons. Dominic & Oscar, Beaver Green. Artwork by: Dan & Sumina, St Simons. Dominic, Vergil, Violet, Beaver Green.



Use this page to do your own thing...



Activity by: Persephone, Beaver Green.

Artwork by: Ailee, Ashford Oaks. Nathan, St Simons. Kaia, John Wesley.





Artwork by: Poppy, John Wesley. Lily, St Simons. Charlie, Ashford Oaks.





"All artists should be having fun" - Sumina, St Simons Primary School

Victoria Park Sketchbook

A colourful sketchbook full of creative activities to do at the park.

Designed by children from Ashford Oaks, Beaver Green, John Wesley and St Simon's primary schools in Ashford with artist Becky Vincer.

Part of The Victoria Park and Watercress Fields Project, restoring and conserving Ashford's largest and most central park.

> "We have learnt to make art out of our surroundings" -Beaver Green Primary School







