

# Make a Paper Plate Butterfly

## For this activity you will need:

- Paper plate
- Sticky tape
- Textas, paints, or crayons
- Scissors
- Icy pole stick (or other straight item)
- Assorted decorating materials



## What is the learning in this activity?

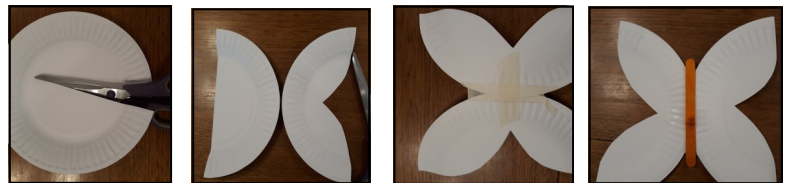
**Ages:** A craft activity for pre-schoolers

**Purpose:** Supports fine motor skills - holding scissors, brushes, colouring. Supports language—engaging the child in conversation about colours, shapes, metamorphosis (process of changing from a caterpillar to a butterfly)

## Let's play!

Cut paper plate in half

1. Cut middle out with a curved shape. These will be the wings.
2. Sticky tape (at the back of the plates) the 2 halves together
3. Stick the icy pole stick on front
4. Now the best part - decorate!! Use paints, textas, crayons, colored paper, stickers, flowers, glitter - whatever you have!\* circles cut out of cardboard could be used instead



## Let's talk..

**Qs** - How many wings does the butterfly have? What is a butterfly and where does it come from? How would you like to decorate your butterfly? What colours and textures would you like to use?

**Extension** - Find a story about a butterfly, have a look outside to see if you can find any butterflies, or make up a butterfly dance using scarves for fluttering wings.

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