

# Waikato

# ENVIROSCHOOLS



## Make A Nature Rainbow!

### APPRECIATING NATURE, CELEBRATING AUTUMN

Autumn is full of incredible colours, and this activity lets us capture some of that beauty. Here's how to make your own Nature Rainbow using leaves and petals:

- 1) Explore your backyard or block to find lots of different colours. Pick up leaves and petals that are already on the ground and collect them.
- 1) Arrange the leaves and petals by colour to create a rainbow. Rainbows usually go: red, orange, yellow, green, blue, indigo, violet. If you can't find all the colours you can get creative!
- 1) Take a photo of your creation so you can keep it forever. You can also post it on the 'Waikato Enviroschools' Facebook page.



Watch the video 'How to Make a Nature Rainbow' here:

[www.youtube.com/watch?v=n\\_Bjee\\_zRB4&t=50s](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=n_Bjee_zRB4&t=50s)

### ADDITIONAL RESOURCES AND LEARNING

**Did you know that plants native to Aotearoa New Zealand do not lose their leaves in autumn? The trees that change colour in autumn are all introduced species.**

More information about leaves changing colour is here:

<https://medium.com/@GrrlScientist/why-do-leaves-change-colour-in-autumn-grrlscientist-9747b0f770be>

Find out more about rainbows here:

[www.sciencekids.co.nz/sciencefacts/weather/rainbows.html](http://www.sciencekids.co.nz/sciencefacts/weather/rainbows.html)

