Cumbria County Council

Early Years Team

## What can I do today?



This week it is ...flowers

## **Thursday**

## **Scissor snipping**

- Learning to cut with scissors takes time and practice.
   Children need to develop the fine muscles in their hands and fingers and be able to move their thumb and other fingers apart.
- Collect some flowers or leaves for children to practice cutting with. Different textures and thicknesses will challenge them and a change from paper will hopefully motivate them to give it a go.
- If you use flowers or herbs it will also smell lovely!
- For younger children you may need to hold the flower or leaves for them as they learn to coordinate both hands together.

ALWAYS check flowers or leaves are safe to pick (check the internet for toxic plants and flowers) It is often illegal to pick wild flowers – check first or pick from a garden with permission.