

Cumbria County Council
Early Years Team

**What can I do
today?**



**This week it is...
...homemade instruments**

Saturday

Glass orchestra

- This is an activity for older children to join in with appropriate adult support.
- Adults can also gently tap the glasses/bottles so babies and younger children can listen to the notes.
- Find glass containers and fill them with water. Hit them with a metal teaspoon and listen to the notes. They really do sound lovely! Now experiment. What happens to the sounds when:
 - You use a different hitter/ A wooden spoon or chop stick?
 - You add more water?
 - You change the shape of the glasses?
- Can you use words such as loud, soft, beat, rhythm?
- You could also wet your finger and run it around the rim of the glass to make it 'sing'!