

Ann's Creative Corner

Project #234: Bells!

- Create a bell shape template out of some poster board or some other cardboard such as a cut cereal box.
- Have the children use this to trace a bell.
- If children are too young for cutting and tracing, the adult can prepare the bell shape first out of either construction paper or a more durable paper.
- On the top of the bell, add a piece of tape folded over to both sides as shown in the photo.
- Use a hole puncher to punch two holes into the taped area. This area should not rip with the durable tape on it.
- Next weave some packaging ribbon or twine through the holes.
- Tie it into a bow. Double knot it so it does not come out.
- Children can help thread the string through the holes and some may be able to help tie it as well. This is really good for practicing fine motor control for the children.
- Next decorate your bell with felt markers, stickers, sparkles, bingo dabber or other things you may like on you bell!

Song: Jingle Bells! (use some bells if you have some)

Jingle Bells, Jingle Bells, Jingle all the way,

Oh what fun it is to ride in a one horse open sleigh,

Hey!, Jingle Bells, Jingle Bells, Jingle all the way!

Oh what fun it is to ride in a one Horse Open Sleigh!

(Continue with the extension of the song for older children: Dashing though the snow etc.)

