

Our 'Celebrate 100' Activity Day is almost upon us, and we are looking forward to welcoming 100 young members and their

leaders to Trefoil House on Saturday 26th February to enjoy a day of crafts to mark 100 years of Girlguiding Birmingham County.

We've been researching the history too and will be publishing this, together with the craft ideas after the day, so even if you can't be there, you won't miss out! But if you can't wait until then, there are some ideas here and lots more in the leaders area of the website. The November makes of the month were centenary based and the Birmingham challenge has lots more ideas ... have fun!



Celebratory truffles



An individual pack and 1 tsp cream cheese makes 6 truffles.

In the 1920's Cadbury launched their purple wrapper, so why not give this a modern twist and make some truffles as a treat?

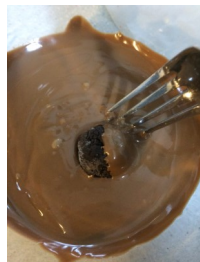
Use Oreo-style biscuits and cream cheese.

Crush the biscuits in a plastic bag.

Add the cheese and squish together.

Take teaspoons of the mixture and use slightly damp hands to roll into balls.

Put into the fridge or freezer until firm.



Melt some chocolate in a bowl over hot water (or VERY carefully in the microwave) and use a fork to dip the truffles. Place onto baking parchment to set.

Girls can make the truffle mixture individually but it's easier to melt a larger quantity of chocolate for dipping, so use one bowl for a small group.



To decorate, sprinkle the wet chocolate with decorations of your choice or melt a few squares of white chocolate in a disposable piping bag. Snip the end and drizzle over the truffles. Allow to set before moving off the baking parchment.



Chocolate crisps, personalised with your own additions, are an easier option for younger girls, or try a chocolate tiffin recipe.

Theatre and music

The City of Birmingham Symphony Orchestra has a 100-year tradition of making great music in the heart of Birmingham. The city is home to many theatres and art galleries, has a thriving music scene and is the home of many famous writers and comedians. Celebrate Birmingham past and present while also completing UMAs.

Build a theatre in a box or a tent Perfect your joke-telling skills Make puppets
Try different styles of painting Make stencils Try ballet or tap
Use props creatively Create a museum Act or mime
Make up a story (make your own story dice) ... and maybe add sound effects.



Bottle tops or buttons stuck onto folded card will make castanets.

Story Dice—Take 3 cubes of wood or dice and some appropriately sized sticky labels (cut to size if needed). Draw or write 6 different **characters** for the first die, **actions** for the second die and **places** for the third. Roll the dice and make up a short story—an introduction, a problem and a solution.



Take a box and turn it into a theatre set.

This could be any box you have at home—cereal boxes or Amazon packaging all work fine. Open up one of the large sides and tape the rest closed. Use paint, pieces of paper, twigs or stones from the garden and any other props that you can find to create your set. Add toy or paper characters to act out the scene.

More ideas...

If you fancy some more Birmingham themed ideas, are up for a challenge or want to explore your city and a range of different activities linked to it, then the Birmingham Challenge could be for you. The challenge and resource pack are on the leaders' page of the Girlguiding Birmingham website and badges are available in the shop.



Challenge



Resource pack

Join the Arts Team's celebration



Saturday 26th
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Trefoil House

Come and meet the team, see what happens on the day, help out and have fun!

We are planning for '100 to celebrate 100'
- a February half term activity for 100 girls, from any section, together with their leaders, to enjoy a creative celebration of 100 years of Birmingham County and would love your help.

Rangers, Young Leaders, Leaders, Leaders in Training, Trefoil Guild members, will all be very welcome to help us staff the event - please drop us an email.

Remember that all the previous Arts Team ideas can be found in the leaders' area of the Girlguiding Birmingham website and videos can be found on our YouTube channel.

The Arts Team hope you've enjoyed all these activities.

Please let us know how you have got on - we would love to see pictures of your creations too!

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Take it further: lots of these activities can also be used towards various challenges, skill builders, unit meeting activities and badges.

We hope you have had fun ... remember to share what you have done!