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Make Your Own Blue Bucks[®] Garden

Hey, kids! Here's a easy, cool project to add some groovy, colorful fun to your summer. Here's what you'll need:

- Small plastic flower pot or cup
- Green pipe cleaners
- Green construction paper
- Scissors

- Colored Marker Pens
 Elmer's white glue
- Styrofoam sheet (optional)

First, take the enclosed insert and cut out all of your flowers. Cut as close as you can to each one or leave a little border just like we did. Next, take 11 pipe cleaners and cut them to different sizes to use as your stems. Just make sure they're taller than your flower pot. Now, cut some leaves about 1" to 2" long out of the green construction paper. You may make them any shape you'd like or make them just like we did in the photo below. Use the marker to draw some lines on your leaves. Next, take your flowers and place them face down on a flat surface. Put a dab of glue in the center of each one and place the end of a pipe cleaner into the glue on each flower. Let dry. Once dry, turn your flowers face up. Put a dab of glue on the end of one



leaf and place it on your stem at an angle near the flower. Repeat with each leaf until all flowers have 2 or 3 leaves on their stems. You may use the photo below as a guide. When your flowers are dry, you may now arrange them in your flower pot or cup. If you have a handy chunk of styrofoam sheet, cut a small piece to fit in the bottom. Stick the end of each flower into the styrofoam to keep them from moving around. Your Blue Bucks[®] Garden is now ready for display!



Hey there, Blue Bucks[®] friends! Summer is finally here! School is out and it's time to have some fun. Summer is one of my favorite seasons because there are so many fun things to do outside. However, if you are looking for a fun activity to beat the heat, then check out these cool flowers! This can be a fun decoration for your room or anywhere in your home. My good friend Chloe put them on her desk, and she said the best part about these flowers is that they don't have to be watered! Follow the directions included in this newsletter to make your own Blue Bucks[®] garden and celebrate summer with us!

Summer is also a great time to celebrate saving. Do you have money that you got from a birthday or doing a chore? Well, now is the perfect time to put that money in the bank. I know sometimes it can be hard to save your money. Sometimes I really want to buy that new toy or game right away. But this summer I am trying to be smart about saving! So, a fun tip that I use to save is whenever I get money, I put half of it into savings and the other half can be used for spending. If you need a reminder to keep saving this summer, just look at your groovy flowers. They need to time to grow, just like your savings. Remember, the more you save now, the more you will have later. Patience is key!

Hope you all are having a blue-tiful summer and remember to keep practicing saving!

Happy growing! Until next time!

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