

Easter Chicks and Nests

What will I need?

- An egg box
- Scissors
- Paint
- Pencil
- A paintbrush
- Glue or tape
- Googly eye (optional)
- Pipe cleaners (optional)

*Why not...
try adding some little details to give
your chick a historical theme, like our
Roman soldier defending their nest!*

What do I do?

1. Cut out a single domed section at the bottom of an egg box and one of the tall pyramid shaped dividers.

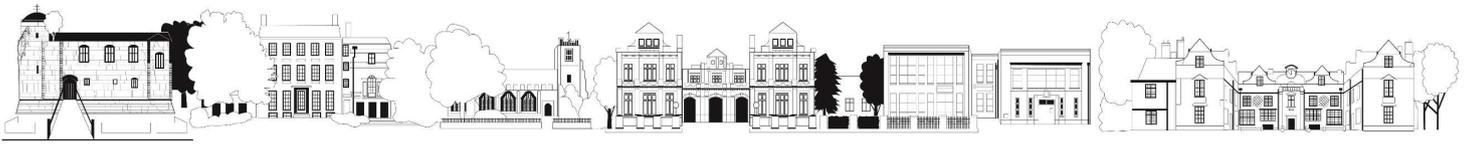


2. Cut up the domed section to make jagged edges that look like a nest or broken egg. Trim down the pyramid shape to the size you want your chick to be (you want it to sit snugly in the nest).



3. Paint the nest a brown colour and the chick yellow (or any colour you want your bird to be!). If your chick is going to be a light colour, paint the card white or grey first and let it dry. Your colour will then show up better.





4. Cut out some strips of card using either egg box scraps or a cereal box, and paint them a brown or green colour. These will be your twigs or leaves in the nest. You could also use some crafting match sticks or other crafty materials to build up your nest. Use glue to stick these into the painted egg box, making sure there is still enough room for your chick.



5. Create a pair of wings and a beak using card, trimmed pipe cleaners or any other materials you have to hand. Stick the wings to the side of the chick using glue. You could use some googly eyes or draw them on yourself using paint or a black pen.



6. Now put your chick in their nest! Why not make some different birds out of the rest of the egg box, like some baby penguins or even little bunnies emerging from a burrow? You could



7. We'd love to see your creations, so be sure to take photos and share them on social media, tagging @Colmuseums on Twitter or @ColchesterCastle on facebook.