Have a try at some of these...

**Design a new school uniform.**

- Count how many windows are in the house and work out how many right angles there are.
- Have a treasure hunt – for older children, get them to design the treasure hunt, including the development of a map, instructions and clues.
- Write the days of the week / months of the year with chalk on the fence.
- See how many bugs/animals/birds you can find in the garden (in the grass, ground or trees) – Create an encyclopaedia of wildlife in your yard. Take photographs or draw pictures of insects, animals and birds - see if you can label their body parts.
- Use building blocks to make a structure like a house, school, or bridge.

**Find items within the kitchen that start with a particular letter.**

- Write out your spelling word with chalk on the cement.
- Find items within the kitchen that start with a particular letter.
- Paint with water – find a huge wall, driveway, outdoor area and paint letters, numbers, whatever you like using water and a paint brush.
- Paper plane challenge – see how far they can fly, for the older students – think about the different design styles and modifications.
- Write a short story, or write and illustrate your own storybook.

**Nature collage – collect outside materials and use these to make your art.**

- On small pieces of card, write/draw pictures of regular daily activities, sequence them to create your own daily schedule to follow.
- Using the inside of the shower door as a ‘canvas’ mix some food colouring with shaving cream and paint the glass door – easy to wash off when you’re in the shower.
- Find some leaves in the garden and do some leaf rubbings using pencil or crayon.
- Write numbers 1 to 25 (or as an example you could challenge your older students by getting them to write the factors of number) with chalk on the bricks.
- Invent your own board game using only drawing and using household objects (eg. bottle tops).

**Write a recipe, and make it if you can.**

- Measure household objects with a tape measure and order them from smallest to largest.
- Measure the temperature every day and record it on a graph.

**Start a handball tournament – play a round each day (best out of 5).**

- Think of a common problem in your house and design an invention to solve it. Draw and explain the invention or if you can, build it.
- See how tall everyone is in your family – measure them using lots of different measurements – a ruler, your hand, a tape measure, see who the tallest is and who the shortest is.

**Learn to knit / sew / crochet.**

- Start each day with 20 minutes of physical exercise outside: dance, run, throw/kick balls, hoola-hoop, skip, jump, play tag, set up a balance beam.
- Use different sized balls and containers/buckets to create a ball-in-hole challenge – throw from behind a line.