## TREE RUBBING

Just like your skin, bark's main purpose is to protect the tree, as well as transporting and holding water. There are lots of species of trees all with different textures and appearances which you can turn into art!



## What you will need:

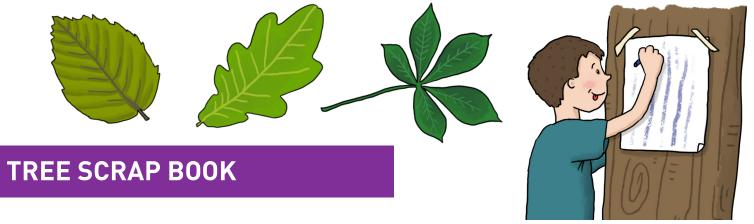
- Wax crayons in different colours
- Sheets of A4 paper

## How to make your tree rubbing:

**Step 1:** Find a tree that looks like it has a great bark texture and get your wax crayons and paper ready

**Step 2:** Press the sheet of paper up against the bark of the tree. Use your crayon to rub across the paper until the pattern of the bark shows across the whole page

**Step 3:** Compare rubbings from different trees. Which tree bark makes the nicest patterns?



Why not start a tree scrapbook to record the trees in your garden or in the local area. As we move through the four seasons of summer, autumn, winter and spring, you'll be able to write about different leaf colours, buds and flowers. Collect leaves and bark rubbings to stick in your book. You could even take a photo or draw what your tree look like every season.



