

Children's Summer Fete

Music Makers

Charles Wesley was the brother of John Wesley, and together they were the two of the main founders of the Methodist Church. Charles Wesley was a talented musician; he wrote over 6000 hymns in his life! This activity will help you to create your own musical instrument so that you can get musical at home.

Cardboard rattle drum

You will need

2 x 10cm card circles

8 x 2.5cm square cards

25cm of string or wool

PVA glue

Paint, coloured pens or craft tape

Old Pencil or strong paper straw

Beads, button or bells

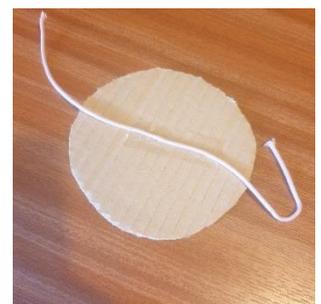
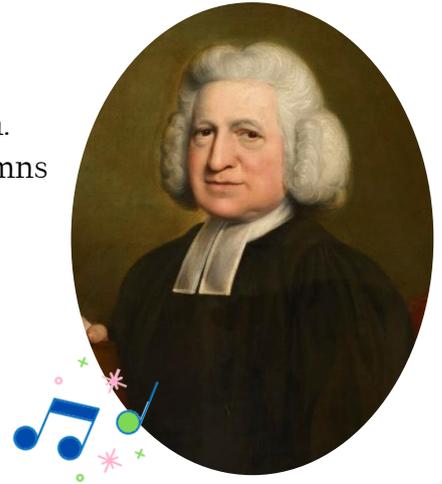
Sellotape

To make

Decorate the two card circles with paint, tape or pens. Leave one side blank.

On the undecorated side, tape down the string. Make sure there is an even amount (7.5) of string on each side of the circle.

Carefully take off the top layer of one of the square cards so you're left with the bumpy side. Glue this in the centre of the string, with the bumpy side facing up.



Then, glue your pencil or straw into place on the square.



Then stick a square of card on top. Now stick two squares, one on top of the other, either side of the square holding the pencil or straw. If the squares aren't level, add another. (This might mean adding three squares each side)



Now glue the top circle into place by adding glue to the top of the squares and carefully lining the circles up.

It's best to let this dry before the next part.

When the glue is dry, tie your beads, buttons or bells to the ends of the string or wool.

Your rattle drum is now ready to use!

