

Wind Tunnel Exploration *at Home*

Take home a book like Leaf Man by Lois Ehlert.

There are many extensions to the learning at the library. You can explore and ask: Do dried leaves fly better than green leaves? You can design leaf characters and create their adventures. Where will the wind take them?

You can test objects at home with a hand fan or straw. Which objects move and which ones don't? Why?

Try to use a straw or just your breath to blow on water or sand. What senses can you use to notice the effects of wind? What happens when you blow softly or for a long period of time?

Go out and fly kites. Make your own or purchase one. How does it react in the wind? How is that different from a balloon? Why do you think that is?

Bubbles are a great way to explore wind at home. Why does your breath make the bubbles move a certain way? Why do the bubbles slowly sink and not float forever?

