Ms. Valerie’s Learning at Home Activity

Animal X-Ray Art

Related Science Lesson December 22, 2021 on WQLN PBS

How to Make

Materials:

• Dark colored paper
• White crayon or white chalk
• Small stuffed animal
• Cotton swabs (Q-tips)
• Glue
• Scissors

Directions:

1. Explain that a veterinarian takes care of animals the way a doctor takes care of people.
2. Talk about how a veterinarian might use an x-ray. If possible, look at images of x-rays. Talk about and feel the bones in your body.
3. Have your child lay the stuffed animal on the paper and trace around it with the white crayon or chalk.
4. Have your child dip the ends of the cotton swabs in the glue. You might want to put the glue on a paper plate to make this easier.
5. Have your child stick the cotton swabs inside the outline of the animal to represent bones. Assist with cutting some of the cotton swabs in half as needed to represent shorter bones. You might want to refer to an image of an x-ray as your child works.