

This weekend is Easter and there is a tradition in Germany to boil eggs and dye them in different colours and patterns. As the school has 9 chickens, which we visit from time to time, we asked if we could get some of the eggs they have laid. We received 3 eggs, 2 green ones and a dotted light brown. We bought some more eggs, so we had enough to use.
We carefully placed all the eggs in a pot, but before we started, we asked a few questions.
The first question was, whether someone knows what these eggs look like inside the shell and what would happen if we dropped them into the pot too hard . Milan, "Die sind Weiss und Gelb."

E., "Die sind fluessig."


Milan, "Vorsichtig sein!"
Was brauchen wir noch zum Eier kochen?
A. : "Wasser."

Paulin, Sebastian and A. filled up the water jugs and poured it over the eggs. Lots of focus and patience was needed not to rush and tip over some of the different items needed for this process. The eggs were then boiled.


As soon as the eggs were boiled and had cooled, Leon, Aria, Joshua, Anton and Bonnie carefully added the dye to the glasses which were set up.
"What else do we add to the colour?" Jutta asked. E. and Eliana, "Vinegar."

2 big spoons of vinegar were added as well as lukewarm water and ready we were for the dying of the eggs. - 'Eierfaerben'

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Avielle, "I am making an egg like Kalea, my sister. Oh, it looks yellowish, no now green."
The children were careful and had lots of fun dyeing the eggs using different colours. Aria said, "Ich moechte pink." She found purple instead.


The children can refine fine motor skills through hands-on and playful activities like these. Encouraging such activities, fosters hand-eye coordination, dexterity, and concentration.


Decorating the eggs with wax crayons and rubber bands created stripes and patterns, adding another dimension of artistic expression. The children observe and learn about cause and effect as they see how various colours interact and change the appearance of the eggs. This activity also provided opportunities for sensory exploration as children feel the texture of the eggs and smell the vinegar. Dyeing eggs engages multiple senses and promotes cognitive development in young children as well as creativity.

