Fun Ideas for Apple Day Activities!

- Outdoor cooking - jam, chutney, flat bread, dampers
- Pre- event for harvesting apples with singing, soup and cider.
- Apple tasting of different varieties
- Recipe Exchange - How? Advertise in advance, have a board, peg them on a line, photograph them. Could you do anything with them?
- Competitions - types of apple in the orchard (as labelled)
- Make a bench, sign or fencing. Begin it on Apple Day and promote the workshops to help make it by getting people to sign up there.
- Treasure Hunt for children (see toolkit)
- Making fruit leathers
- Go foraging
- Make bird or bat boxes. Be careful about making bat boxes. Advice can be found from the Bat Conservation Trust or the RSPB about size and shape. Some places sell readymade kits, e.g. Landworks in Dartington.
- Make bird or bat box kits to sell
- Invite people to sponsor a bird or bat box
- What next? We'll put them in the orchard in February, so come along then!
- Clay faces - put a handful of clay on the tree trunk and make it into a face. – Boggarts!
- Have-a-go tasks. Job Circuit Olympics: 10 minute tasters of jobs in teams e.g. weeding, bracken clearing. make it fun.
- Apple Olympics - apple and spoon race, scrumpers relay, apple puff sprint, furthest throw (like a game of jacks) apple bobbing. Longest peel, quickest peel competition.
- Barbecue or Pizza Oven and put on your own toppings
- Fritters, apple, elderflower.
- Apple Bake-Off - cakes, pies etc. To be judged by a professional chef/cook/cafe owner with a good prize.
- Folklore. Sayings, Love Games, Cures (see toolkit)
- Performers. Storytelling, music, as an act or involving the community (part of lead in activity.)
- Making bird feeders from bruised apples
- Side show games with prizes - toss the apple in a basket, an apple shy, Human fruit machine game
- Planting Spring bulbs
- Short tour of your orchard
- Quiz. Bad apple - Good apple. (see toolkit)
- Tree decorations.
- Craft activities.
- Making Apple Jacks (make faces with cloves, hang in tree, leave to shrivel in time for Halloween)

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