Creating with recycled materials found in your home is always a great way for children to learn not just creativity but about recycling, re-using and taking care of our planet. Let’s see what your child can do with common household items!

Materials:
- Eggshell Sprinkles (see previous tutorial for doing these)
- White paper or cardboard (can use colored papers if you have any)
- Elmer’s Glue
- Pencil and eraser

Instructions:
- If not done before, crush each group of colored eggshells into smaller pieces. You will find that some parts are the actual eggshell (lighter color) and some parts consist of the shell membrane (darker color). Break the membranes into smaller pieces as much as possible.

NOTE: I used both shell and membrane combined, but you can separate these and use only the more finely crushed actual shells. On the photos at right you can see the difference between the finer crushed eggshell and the darker and coarser membrane.
- Have your child draw a large oval egg on the paper. I suggest using pencil and eraser so that your child can practice drawing a fairly large oval through trial and error. It’s the best way to learn. That’s why erasers were invented! Once your child has drawn an oval shape that he/she likes, she can draw a few lines across; either straight or wavy, to separate the areas where different colored sprinkles will be glued on. For five different colors, there should be 5 separate sections on the egg.

- Using Elmer’s Glue (not glue stick), cover one entire area with glue as shown on photo on the right.
- Sprinkle the color of sprinkles desired on top of that glued area.
- GENTLY press down the sprinkles on to the glue.
- Tilt paper up so that excess sprinkles fall down.

- Continue applying glue to the next area as shown on the photo on the right.
- Sprinkle another color of eggshell sprinkles on that new area.
- GENTLY press down the sprinkles onto glue and tip the paper over so that excess sprinkles fall down.
• The photo on the left shows the blue sprinkles applied to the second section and the paper is now being tilted so that excess sprinkles fall down.

• Continue applying glue and colored sprinkles to each section at a time, gently pressing down each sprinkled area and then tilting the paper to get rid of the excess sprinkles.

• The photo on the right shows the egg almost completed.

• Just one more color to apply at the bottom!

Completed egg is shown on the left.