

Today we made new Play dough!

Here is the recipe:

- 4 cups of plain flour
- 2 cups of salt
- 8 teaspoons of cream of tartar
- 4 cups of water
- ½ cup of cooking oil
- Food colouring



Stir ingredients over a medium heat – the mixture will thicken and solidify into one lump. Allow dough to cool and store in an airtight container.

As the children sit together using equipment and resources they are developing their **Personal, Social and Emotional** skills with their peers and adults i.e. sharing / taking turns. The dough also provides **Physical** experiences as the children use the muscles in their fingers, hands and arms to pour, mix and knead.

Children are new to the **World** and need to find out about it. The way they find out is by first hand experience, through their senses. As children handle dough they respond to the varying textures, weights and smells of the materials. They find out how dough behaves and what can be done with it enjoying squeezing shaping and rolling.

There are opportunities for **Language** i.e. awareness of symbols - the recipe and packaging / social language around the table / making predictions about what might happen. **Maths** can be explored i.e. colour of dough, measuring ingredients, making comparisons i.e. big / small, heavy / light.

Dough provides endless opportunities for **Art** and creative

