Individual Activity Lesson Plan



Date: Thursday 30th April 2020

Activity Title: Play Dough – Sizes

Learning Intention:

- To show awareness of positional language.
- To compare amounts and begin to use the language of size/measurement.

Links to EYFS: Mathematics

Resources:

- Play dough (follow the link to learn how to make your own playdough, if you don't have any available https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=oAIAm6BF0fs
- Weighing scales
- Baking equipment to use for imaginary play
- Cupcake cases

Activity Overview:

Develop an understanding of size, shape and measure through playing with playdough.

Key vocabulary:

Bigger, smaller, big, small, biggest, smallest, compare, the same, different, light, heavy, lightest, heaviest, on top, in between, beside, more, less.

ACTIVITY IMPLEMENTATION (including key questions)

Introduction:

*Gather the playdough and weighing/measuring/mixing utensils you have available (follow the link above to make your own playdough).
*Explain to your child that today they will be using their imagination to make 'cakes' using playdough.



Main Activity:

- Role play making playdough cakes
 - separate the playdough and weigh it on a measuring scale, before placing it in a cupcake case or alternative.
- Invite your child to join in and model lots of the key vocabulary where appropriate.
- Involve your child in looking and comparing the shape of the dough, and the size of the cakes.
- Discuss size, shape, measure...and use open questions to support your child e.g. what shape is the play dough? Is there more or less playdough in this case?



Additional ways to support your child:

 Model the activity and ensure you use a wide range of key vocabulary.

Extension:

- Let your child find their own materials to decorate the playdough cakes with.
- Imagine the cakes are birthday cakes. Can you make or use candles on top. How many candles have you used? How old are you today?

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