## **Ladybirds Day Nursery: Activity Plan**

Activity Name:	Target age group:
Herb Kitchen Playdough	Pre-school

## **Activity Description:**



This activity encourages children to explore their senses, finding out how different herbs can smell, taste and can feel as well as looking at the shape of the leaves. They should be able to develop their scissor skills easily cutting these plants using their fine motor skills. By adding the herbs to the playdough it combines mixing materials to achieve different effects. It will also allow for conversations about how we can cut the plant but it will still live if we don't cut too much and water it afterward.

## **Resources Needed:**

Playdough (Recipe: 1-cup salt 4 cups flour 1 ½ cups water 4tbs. oil Mix flour and salt. Add water and oil slowly to the dry ingredients, stirring with a spoon until well blended. Knead dough until soft and pliable.)

Herbs

Scissors

Rollers

Can add kitchen utensils and cake tins to add role play aspects to it.

EYFS:			COEL:
PSED	CL	PD	Playing and Exploring: Engagement
MR SCSA	LA <mark>U</mark>	MH HSC	Finding out and exploring Playing with what they know Being willing to 'have a go'

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L	M	UW	EAD	Active Learning: Motivation Being involved and concentrating
R W	N SSM	PC TW T	EUMM BI	Keeping Trying Enjoying achieving what they set out to do
		•		Creating and thinking critically: Thinking Having their own Ideas Making Links Choosing ways to do things

## **Key Vocabulary / Open ended questions**

What else could we add to make it different?

Is there another way we could do that?

What would happen if....?

What do you think about....?

What would you do.....?

Which herb did you like best?

Smell

Taste

Feel

Minty

Cut

Grow

Plant

Living

Mix

Combine