

Dear Parents,

In the outdoor mud kitchen the children love to mix up a mud pie or cook something yummy for their friends and family! They love to imagine that some of the materials represent an ingredient from their recipes! For example when making soup the petals will be the vegetables and twigs will be the onions!

For younger children, mud kitchens can also provide a whole variety of different learning opportunities including sensory, imaginative, creative and exploratory play.

To help your child have the right ingredients in the mud kitchen, we would really appreciate it if you could collect the following items for us when you and your child are exploring in the outdoor areas. For example, when going for walks in the woods or park. Please try and bring the items in on a Friday in a plastic bag so we can restock the areas for the following week!

- Twigs
- Sticks- of different sizes
- Leaves – different shapes, colours or sizes
- Petals that have fallen from flowers
- Conkers
- Acorns
- Stones

Please can you try and bring the items in on a regular basis as we use them everyday!

Also if anyone has any old utensils (no sharp items) or kitchen equipment that needs a new home we will be more than happy to take them off your hands!

Thank you for your help

