



# Loose Parts *Letter*

Dear families and valued members of the community,

We are extremely excited to announce that we are beginning to develop loose parts play at \_\_\_\_\_

Loose parts play involves using a wide selection of everyday objects and materials to create, build, invent, experiment and play with. Research has found that loose parts play has a significant number of benefits for our children including; developing their imagination, creativity, physical health, fine and gross motor skills, behaviour, cooperation, communication, teamwork and concentration in class (to name only a few).

Although at times our playgrounds will begin to look like a building site or scrap yard, rest assured that there will be a tremendous amount of learning involved, not to mention fun!

For this exciting new venture, we need your help. We would be extremely grateful if you could search your home/business for any unused objects or materials to donate. The beauty of loose parts play is that it involves upcycling and recycling unused objects and basically anything goes – the stranger the better! All we ask is that the objects donated are not sharp (including if broken) or treated with any toxic chemicals. Attached is a list of suggestions of the sorts of things we are after.

These might seem unusual play items, but they can be used endless different ways, allowing children to make anything from an obstacle course, racing car, palace or cubby!

Many thanks in advance for your contributions. Bring on the endless play and learning opportunities!

Kindest regards,

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