

Planning for Progression within Provision

When planning for continuous provision in our setting, we thought it was important to remember that every child is unique and at a different point within their individual stage of development.

In each area, we observe children using different skills. We enable them to practise and repeat these skills through the resources that we offer them.

This is a plan for progression of skills; to support staff to make careful choices of resources in provision to stretch and challenge skills they have observed during play. Offering a variety of resources allows staff to ensure that children are independently challenged and their skills extended.

Water Area			
Common Play Behaviour	Pouring/ Emptying	Filling	Manipulation
High Level Fingers Hand Small work space	Funnels Scoops Cups Spoons	See high level pouring Very small containers Good control	Pipettes Straws Pipes Basters Spoons
Mid Level Wrist Hand Medium work space	Various sized jugs/ buckets One handled containers with spouts	Smaller containers One hand with small containers Transferring from hand to hand	One handled containers Water wheels Sponges Natural materials
Emergent Level Elbow Shoulder Whole body Large work space	Two handled containers with spouts Large buckets Hands	Large containers Two hands Standing	Two handled containers Colanders Sieves

Sand Area

Common Play Behaviour	Dig	Pouring/ Emptying	Filling	Mould/ Manipulate
<p>High Level Fingers Hand Small work space</p>	<p>Teaspoon Small scoop Lollipop stick Various sized spoons</p>	<p>Funnels Scoops Cups Spoons</p>	<p>See high level pouring Very small containers Good control</p>	<p>Natural materials e.g. stones and shells Smaller moulds Small scoop Lollipop stick</p>
<p>Mid Level Wrist Hand Medium work space</p>	<p>Spade Large wooden spoon Spatula</p>	<p>Various sized jugs/ buckets One handled containers with spouts</p>	<p>Smaller containers One hand with small containers Transferring from hand to hand</p>	<p>Shaped moulds Plastic creatures</p>
<p>Emergent Level Elbow Shoulder Whole body Large work space</p>	<p>Hand Large container Large scoop</p>	<p>Two handled containers with spouts Large buckets Hands</p>	<p>Large containers Two hands Standing</p>	<p>Hand</p>

Painting Area

Common Play Behaviour	Printing	Mixing	Brushing
<p style="text-align: center;">High Level Fingers</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Smaller individual paper</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Cotton buds Small objects e.g. marbles, nuts, bolts etc. Small natural resources</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Thin brushes Primary colours and white Small scoops</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Small brushes A variety of tools to choose from for a specific purpose</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">Mid Level Wrist Elbow Flat surfaces Medium sized paper</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Fingers Fruit & vegetables 3D objects Sponges</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Thick brushes Sponges Premixed paint Watercolours</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Medium brushes Natural materials</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">Emergent Level Whole hand Palmar grasp</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Large paper Roll of shared paper Flat and vertical surfaces</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Vehicles Rollers Large sponges Large blocks Hands</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Chunky handled brushes Hands Premixed paint- 2 or 3 colours</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Big rollers with handles Big brushes</p>

Creative Area- Junk Modelling			
Common Play Behaviour	Joining	Cutting	Folding
High Level	Split pins Tying string (knots) Paper clips Treasury tags	Material/ Felt Corrugated paper Card/ boxes Scissors	Complex fold e.g. fan Thicker paper
Mid Level	Tape Pegs Scissors Glue spreader	Tissue paper Scissors with loop handles Hole punch Paper stampers Card/ paper	Simple fold Ordinary paper
Emergent Level	Glue sticks Masking tape Finger glue	Paper strips Tearing	Scrunching Thin paper

Malleable Area				
Common Play Behaviour	Knead/ Squeeze	Pat/ Mould	Cutting/ Shaping	Coiling
High Level	Fingertips Tools (tweezers)	Fingertips and thumb Playdough moulds Making smaller sizes e.g. cubes	Scissors Cutlery	Fingertips and long sausage
Mid Level	Knuckle/ Fist (one hand) Board Potato masher	Making small balls Palm together	Scissors with loop handles Plastic knives Bun cases	On table (roll a sausage)
Emergent Level	Hands Sponges	Patting/ squashing with whole hand Making big balls	Roller/cutter Large containers e.g. bowls	Rolling using two hands together