

Going to School with the Gruffalo 2020

"Tell me and I forget, teach me and I may remember, involve me and I learn." —

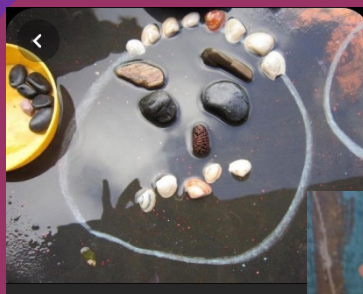
Benjamin Franklin

Loose parts play is when children can use items in lots of different ways using their imagination and creativity. These can be items from around the house or from outside, example resources are:

- ☑ Shells, pinecones, twigs, pebbles, screws, nut and bolts, straws, buttons, old gift wrap, cardboard tubes, bottle or jar lids etc
- ☑ You may need glue, sticky tape and scissors
- ☑ Lots of patience...



WEEK 2: Can you make a character or story scene using loose parts?



Learning taking place

- 📖 Fine & gross motor development
- 📖 Developing counting and sorting skills
- 📖 Developing problem solving
- 📖 Encourages conversations and listening skills, and builds vocabulary
- 📖 Encourages creativity, exploration and imagination.



Activity

Create an image or a model of one or more of the characters, or a scene from the story, using loose parts.

Safety: ensure your child is always using the materials safely. **Observe** and support your child, if they need it.

Encourage your child to talk about what you are doing together; talking about the items they are using, what they are going to use it for, what they plan to do next - this will support language and communication development.

Follow your child's lead, encourage them to solve the problems and make decisions.

Enjoy learning and creating together

We would be delighted if you wanted to share your creations on the Transition Facebook page

Based on the book
'The Gruffalo' written
by Julia Donaldson
and illustrated by
Axel Scheffler