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Outdoor Resource Audit

Resources	Comments	
Area Characteristics		
Free flow access from the Playroom		
Suitable area to allow children to change		
clothing independently		
Access to suitable clothing		
Variety of surfaces e.g. mud, grass, bark, sand		
Clearly identified areas/zones - e.g.		
construction, creative, curiosity, physical		
Safe, cosy space for children to relax		
Hand washing station		
Wildflower/vegetable/planting beds		
Water (outdoor tap or water butt)		
Constant Provision (check daily)	Daily risk assessment may be carried out	
Large scale loose parts e.g. planks, crates,	with children.	
pallets, cable reels, tyres		
Small scale loose parts e.g. sticks, pebbles etc		
Containers - milk bottles, squeezy bottles,		
spray bottles		
Buckets - different sizes		
Watering cans - different sizes		
Pots, pans and kitchen utensils		
Den building materials e.g. rope, tarpaulin, pegs		
Resources to encourage gross motor		
movements e.g. ribbons, ribbon sticks, scarves,		
balls, trellis/netting for weaving, large bubble		
wands, bucket stilts		
Selection of different sized resources for		
digging and building e.g. spades, scoops, spoons,		
bricks, stones		
Enhancements to consider:		
Pipes, guttering		
Collection of natural materials		
Funnels, water wheels		
Cups, spoons, bowls		
Logs and branches		
Transient art materials – e.g. small tiles, gems,		
stones, petals/flowers		

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Mark making materials e.g. paint brush, chalk,	
pencils, pens, clipboards, chalkboards,	
whiteboards	
Washing line	
Road signs, constructions signs, cones	
Small world resources	
Water wall using guttering, tubes and funnels	
Sensory resources e.g. wind chimes, sound wall,	
mirrors	
Bikes, scooters, balance bikes, helmets	
Rope swing	
Physical resources e.g. balls, bean bags, hoops,	
skittles, bats	