



Dear Calderwood Families,

This term we are considering ways to enhance our play in the playground during lunchtimes. We are looking at introducing loose parts play, loose parts let children use their imagination and creativity, allowing them to create anything from making a den to building a pirate ship. They allow children to experiment without a pre-determined outcome or a 'right' way to do things.

“Loose parts are an open-ended play resource providing infinite opportunities and possibilities for the creative mind.”

Loose parts are materials that children can move manipulate, control, combine and change throughout their play. Loose parts as things like cardboard boxes, tyres, crates, tarpaulins, and plastic guttering, to name a few.

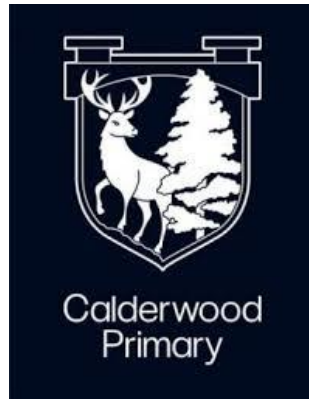
This is where we need your help, we are hoping to start a loose parts collection for any items that you think might be suitable for our loose parts play area. Please see our wish list below but other suggestions would be welcomed. If you have any items, you wish to donate please email the school FAO of Ms Morrison and I will organise a suitable time for you to drop the items off. Please ensure all items are safe for children to handle, if you are unsure please get in touch and we can advise.

We look forward to setting up our loose parts play area for our children to explore. If you have any questions please email the school office, we'd be happy to help.

Thank you for all of your support.

Kind regards,

Ms Morrison



Calderwood Primary School

Loose parts wish list

- Large container to hold loose parts e.g. metal shed
- Quick drying materials such as organza, fleece blankets and shower curtains
- Tarpaulins (various sizes, types & colours)
- Wooden Pallets
- Milk, bread or food crates
- Cable drums or reels
- Buckets
- Tubes, guttering, funnels, hosepipe, and any other pipes
- Tyres – bicycle, motorbike, go-kart and car tyres
- Nets
- Steering wheels
- Old suitcases or wheeled shopping bags
- Computer keyboards
- A variety of lengths of wood
- Pieces of decking.
- Old clothes for dressing up e.g. suit jackets, waistcoats and handbags
- Portable seats and things to sit on like bubble wrap, camping mats and gardening mats.
- Old suitcases or wheeled shopping bags

