

QUEENSWAY SCHOOL

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Dear Parents/Carers,

We are committed to improving the quality of children's play in all areas of the Early Years curriculum. We are currently working on introducing and developing the use of 'Loose Parts Play' in both our indoor and outdoor learning spaces.

Loose parts are materials and objects that children can move, manipulate, control, combine and change to suit their play. It means that the children are able to engage in open-ended play and have infinite possibilities and opportunities to extend their play.

We are therefore beginning to create a loose parts collection from a range of different materials and object. Please see the list below, and if you have any of the items that you are willing to let us have and use, we would be very grateful. Please ensure that all items are safe for children to handle (i.e, no splinters/cracks etc). Please speak to your child's class teacher if you are able to help with any items.

Thank you so much for your continued support, and we look forward to sharing all of the amazing creations and activities that the children become involved in through our loose parts play.

Please ask if you have any questions.

Mrs Kelly Guntrip Early Years Leader.

Loose Parts list for Outdoors	Loose parts list for Indoors
 Pipes/guttering 	Pine cones
 Buckets 	 Fabric scraps
 Large cardboard boxes/tubes 	Corks
Tyres	Feathers
 Wooden planks 	Shells
 Tarpaulin 	 Flowers/plants
 Wood slices 	 Plastic bottle caps
 PVC tubing 	 Driftwood
 Stones/pebbles 	Old keys
 Plastic garden pots 	 Newspapers/magazines
Wooden crates	CDs/DVDs
	 Envelopes
	Glass gems
	 Measuring tapes/spoons/cups
	 Magnets