#### Top Tips

The important thing is the process of making & playing with the playdough together, NOT how messy or tidy it is!

Your child will learn best if you support them throughout the activity.

• Sing with your child as you make and play with the dough

"This is the way we roll the dough, roll the dough, roll the dough ...."

• Offer choices while you play: "Should we make a long or short snake?" "Will this ball be big or small?" "Should we roll or squeeze this piece?"

• **Play together** - Pretend to be in the kitchen Use the playdough as 'food' when pretending to bake or cook. **Talk about** what you are doing.



If you would like any information or advice about your child's talking, please contact **Bright Start Speech and Language Therapy** 0203 316 1897





# I can make ... Play Dough





- Try to limit the amount of TV your child watches
- Choose the programs your child watches carefully
- Enjoy & watch TV together
- Turn it off & play together

## 1 minute play dough recipe

## What do you need?

- 1/2 cup of salt
- 1 cup of flour
- 1 tablespoon of cream of tartar (find it in most shops with the baking ingredients)
- 1 tablespoon of oil
- I cup of boiling water (from the kettle)

### How do you do it?

Put all the dry ingredients in a bowl and then

mix with the hot water.

Adults should handle the hot water



#### For a change:

Add food colouring to the boiling water to make different coloured dough! Add glitter for extra sparkle!

**Together** you & your child can now shape, squeeze, roll or cut the dough

# Talk as you play with your child

Play dough lets us use lots of action words:

"You're cutting."

"I'm squeezing."

"You're rolling"





Talk about what the dough feels or looks like:

"Your play dough looks like a snake!" "Mine is longer than yours." "This feels cold."

