

## Home Learning Nursery

### Activity – Playdough Pizza

#### Resources

- ✓ Flour
- ✓ Table salt
- ✓ Cooking oil
- ✓ Warm water
- ✓ Food colouring (optional)
- ✓ Objects to make pizza toppings



#### Method

- 250g plain flour
  - 50g table salt
  - 140ml warm water
  - 1 to 2 tablespoons cooking oil
  - Few drops food colouring (optional)
1. Mix together the flour and salt in a large mixing bowl.
  2. Add the cooking oil and food colouring, if using.
  3. Gradually add the water and mix until all ingredients are combined.
  4. Tip the playdough out onto the table and knead it until soft and smooth. If the playdough is a little 'sticky' coat it in a little more flour and continue to knead. Repeat this as necessary until the playdough is the right consistency.

#### **Parental Guidance:**

Whilst making the playdough use language such as, more, less, big, small, soft, hard and encourage your children to look at the numbers on the weighing scales. Once the playdough is made roll it out to form a 'pizza base' and use objects from around the home, such as wool, bottle tops, buttons, beads, counters, leaves, petals etc to create the toppings for your pizza.

After the pizza creation is complete you can ask your children to cut their pizzas into slices using a knife, cutters or anything you have around the home. Encourage your children to count their slices and add 1,2,3 or 4 more slices. Can they make enough slices to share around the family?

#### How to get your child thinking?

- Can they cut their pizza into 'half' and 'quarters'?
- How can they create a face with the toppings?
- Can they use this experience to create a real pizza for the whole family to enjoy at a mealtime?