

# Messy play at Playgroup

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Today at playgroup we played with clay, gloop and fingerprint.

The children were able to experience different textures.

"This is like hard, cold playdough" - Leah said when she touched the clay.

The children used the Papatuanuku (natural materials, such as shells and driftwood) to make prints in the clay.

The finger paint squelched and squished when the children squeezed it through their fingers.

Some of the children held their hands up to let the gloop run off the ends of their fingers.

The children spent a lot of time covering their hands with fingerprint and then washing it off in the warm bubbly water.

[Links to Te Whaariki \(The New Zealand Early Childhood Curriculum\)](#)

**Exploration, Mana Aoturoa:**

**Goal 4-** Children experience an environment where they make working theories for making sense of natural, social, physical and material worlds.