

Family Learning Fine Motor Skills



Please take a dough ball



What are motor skills ?

Motor skills are classed as a persons ability to **move** and **be aware** of parts of their body.

Two kinds of motor skills:

Fine – small movements e.g. holding and controlling a pencil.







Why are they important?

Movement is at the centre of our children's lives and learning. At school they use motor skills for:

- Exploration
- Expression
- Exercise
- Emotional outlets
- Writing



Fine Motor Skills

-Small muscle movements that are often linked to eye coordination, such as:

-writing -building with Lego -doing up buttons -undoing lunch boxes etc.



-Good fine motor skills influence the outcomes and speed of tasks as well as building confidence and pride.

What can we do to build our children's fine motor control?

- Lego building
- Finger gymnastics
- Painting with cotton buds
- Squeezing stress balls
- Watering plants using squeeze bottles
- Threading
- Weaving
- Scrunching paper
- Pegging out the washing
- Play dough exploration
- Finger play rhymes









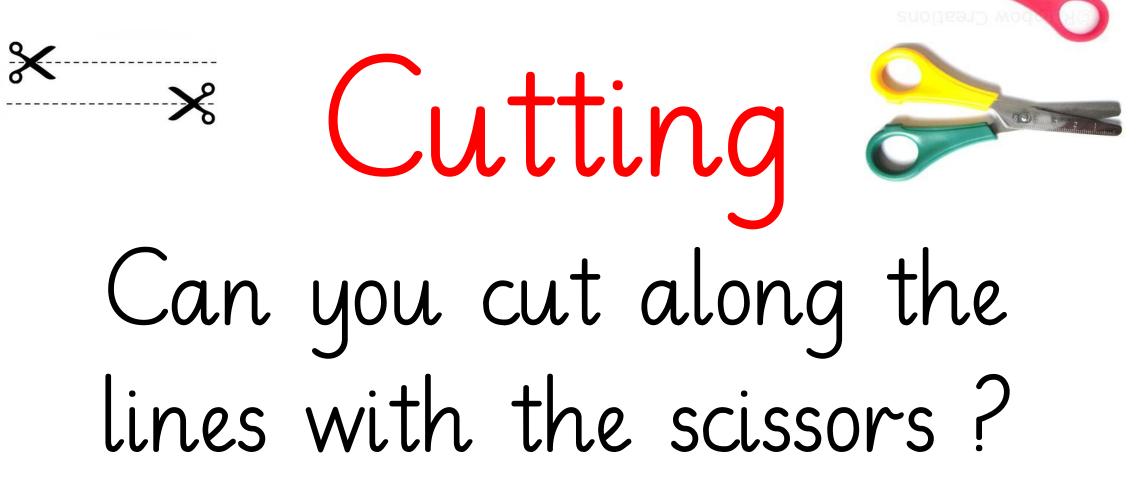
Can you work together as a team to build something ?





Play dough Can you squash, squeeze and roll the play dough ?









Can you use the tweezers to sort and count the pom poms ?