

Risk Rating Key

**Very High**

**High Risk**

**Medium Risk**

**Low Risk**

**Sensory Play Making - Risk Assessment**

**Toongabbie West Activity Centre**

| **Activity** | **Hazard** | **Risk Assessment**  **(use Matrix)** | **Control Measure** | | **Who** | **When** |
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| Slime Making | **Ingestion Slime Materials** (harmful if swallowed)   * Borax * Saline Solution * Shaving Cream * PVA Glue * Food Colouring | **High Risk** | Children must be reminded NOT to eat or put listed materials in mouth or near face.   * Follow safety instructions of each product label, if a child ingests or gets in their eyes. * Notify parents immediately. * Seek medical attention if ingestion is suspected. * Children and Educators should wash hands before and after activity. | | Responsible Person, Educators and children | Prior to activity (safety talk), During (supervision), As needed (response) |
| **Contact of Activator in Eyes** (irritation/damage) | **High Risk** | * Children to wear gloves when mixing ingredients. * Educators to remind children of safety precautions and to not put ingredients near face. * If contact occurs, follow safety instructions on the product label. * Notify parents immediately. * Provide First Aid as necessary. * Keep SDS sheets accessible. * Educators positioned throughout group for supervision. | | Responsible Person, Educators | Prior to activity (prep, briefing), During (supervise), As needed (response) |
| Skin Irritation from Activator, Glue, Shaving Cream | **Medium Risk** | * Check children for allergies prior. * Children to wear gloves when mixing slime. * Wash hands after handling slime. * Staff to discuss safe use of materials. * Permission from parent/guardians required prior to activity. | | Educators & Children  Parent/Guardian | Prior to activity (allergy check, briefing), During (supervise), After (handwashing)  Prior to activity |
| **Misuse of Materials / Unsafe Behavior** (e.g., throwing slime, putting materials on face) | **Medium Risk** | * Discuss expected behaviour and consequences before activity. * Remove children who misuse materials. * Educators stationed evenly to monitor. * Reinforce safety rules throughout. | | Educators | Before (setup), During (supervise and clean), After (clean area) |
| Mess / Slippery Surfaces from Spills | **Medium Risk** | * Protect surfaces with coverings. * Clean spills immediately. * Encourage children to stay seated or steady while working. | | Educators & Children | Before (setup), During (supervise and clean), After (clean area) |
| Handling Sticky Slime (Transfer of Germs) | **Low Risk** | * Handwashing before and after. * Discourage sharing slime between children. | | Educators & Children | Before, During, and After Activity |
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