

**Continuous provision:**  
Outdoor learning

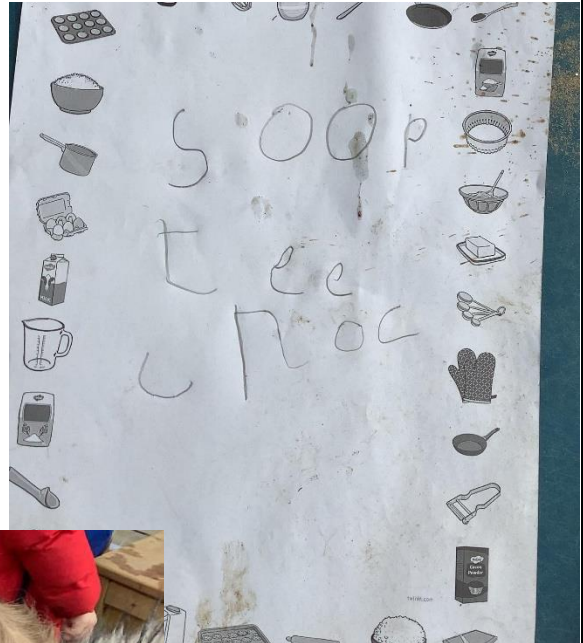
Reception  
Age 4-5

Title: Mud kitchen menu

**Child-led focus on exploring materials**

The children had access to an outside 'mud kitchen' where they could mix water, mud and other natural materials. From the classroom, children can also take thick-stick pencils and paper from a waterproof zippy wallet if they would like to do any mark making outdoors.

This child chose to make a 'Mud kitchen menu' of *Soup*, *Tea* and *Choc*, demonstrating their recognition of the similarities between brown mud and chocolate, and watery mud and tea/soup.



**Possible future provision / next steps**

Exploring what happens to the mud-food when it is left to dry out. Melting chocolate to make rice crispie cakes.

**Learning outcomes (Development Matters, Reception):**

**Understanding the World:** Describe what they see, hear and feel whilst outside.

**Literacy:** form lower-case and capital letters correctly.