# IDEAS FOR WRITING ACTIVITIES

#### When outside:

Buckets/pots of water with paint brushes & rollers Washing bikes, sit on cars or play house with sponges and scrubbing brushes

Water in squirty or squeezy bottles

Chalks

Rubbings on different surfaces
Dancing with scarves or ribbons

Drawing patterns and shapes in sand

Washing dolls clothes and peg on a line

### When playing:

Write a menu/invitation for a doll's tea party

Cars- write road signs, draw maps

Trains – tickets and station signs

Treasure maps

Write messages in bottles

Write telephone messages,

Write shopping lists



#### At home:

Draw in shaving foam on bathroom tiles

Writing on a steamed up mirror

Writing on each others back

Getting dressed – buttons, buckles etc

Spreading with a knife- making own sandwiches

or buttering toast

Icing biscuits

Rubbing in cooking ingredients

Playdough

Sorting lentils/ mixed fruit/ buttons

Picking up rice

Using tweezers or tongs

Threading, jigsaws, pegs

## Mark making items:

Post it notes

Labels

Clipboards

Notepads

Scissors

Pens, pencils, colouring pencils

Paint, chalk, crayons

**Envelopes** 

Rolls of wallpaper

Clipboards

## Technology to support mark making

Follow the torch glow

Apps for ipads – Chalk drawing and Ickle Fingers

### Playdough recipe

1 cup of salt 2 cups plain flour 2 cups of water

2 tablespoons cooking oil 4 teaspoons of cream of tartar Food colouring (optional)

Place all ingredients in a pan and heat gently until it forms a lump and leaves the sides of the pan

Allow to cool thoroughly. Store in an airtight container

