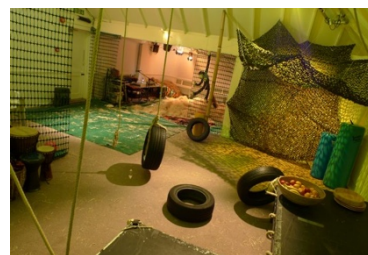
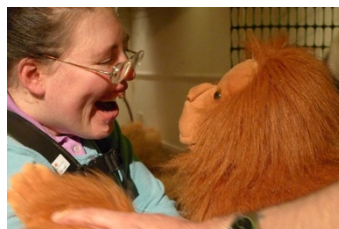


Monkeyworld

Environment Woodwool, netting, monkey puppets. Hanging tyre/ropes, tyres, bouncy balls, gym cylinders, platforms, blankets. Basket of sticks, boomwhackers, congas, djembes and drums. Basket of fruit - apples, bananas, satsumas.



Nursery Smell, feel, roll and play in the woodwool. Find the monkey puppets and interact with them and each other, caring for, stroking, having fun.



Outdoor Tyres to roll, stack, jump on, spin, hanging tyre and rope for swinging, platforms for climbing on, gym balls and cylinders for rolling and bouncing. All about movement and motion, being brave, balancing, challenging selves, using strength, pushing, pulling, trust.



Monkey Music Use sticks and boomwhackers to create sounds and rhythms on tyres, balls, platforms. Develop with congas, djembes and drums and dance as you play.



Monkey Lunch Lay out blankets and enjoy sharing the fruit

Observations Woodwool was disappointing as a multisensory resource, quite rough and clumpy and stuck to clothing, carpet and everything. Some users loved it, others found it difficult and many didn't like the 'mess' - not least the Friday de-rig team! Some groups engaged with gross motor props more easily than others; wheelchair users responding to facilitators' antics with joy and fun, great eye-contact, looking and tracking, more able clients challenging themselves and trying things out. Sticks were supplemented with boomwhackers half-way through week - better sound quality, more fun, more variety of uses. Fruit enjoyed by all.

