

## Juggling Balls

## Take this sheet into the workshop as a useful reminder of the aims and activities

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ACTIVITY	ACTIONS	NOTES
Exploring juggling balls	<ul> <li>Take your time</li> <li>Look at the colours</li> <li>Feel the texture</li> <li>Squeeze it</li> <li>Roll the ball on your legs, arms, back, and shoulders</li> </ul>	Improves dexterity and grip Rolling the ball creates a massage- like feel
Throwing and catching (as a group or individually)	<ul> <li>Throw the ball directly up and:</li> <li>Catch ball with two hands</li> <li>Catch ball with one hand</li> <li>Throw in an arc shape from one hand to the other</li> </ul>	Improves hand-eye coordination
Making it easier - working with a partner	<ul> <li>Gently drop the ball into your partner's lap.</li> <li>Encourage them to catch the ball.</li> <li>Swap roles.</li> </ul>	Keep eye contact with your partner to ensure they are ready to catch the ball
Let's make it more challenging	Throw the ball from one hand to another and add a clap between throws:  • Add a second clap between throws  • How many claps can you add?	Improves focus and coordination
Let's make it more challenging	Throw one ball as you pass the other ball between your hands - 'throw and pass across'	Reverse the direction to develop even muscle memory in both hands
Challenging level - Juggling (2 balls)	Start with one ball in each hand.  Throw one ball and then the other in this pattern - 'throw, throw, catch, catch'	Improves reaction times and hand- eye coordination
Challenging level - Juggling (3 balls)	Download our step by step instructions on the 'Juggling Balls' activity page on the toolkit website	Requires practice and determination!

