

Making Dumplings



Oliver, Eric, Nathan and Chloe's mums asked to share cooking dumplings to celebrate Chinese New Year with us. They came prepared with all the ingredients and helped children cut chives, mix, roll dough and finally wrap the meat mixture into the dumpling wrapper. The children helping showed great skill with rolling the dough and carefully enclosing the meat within the wrapper. The dumplings were delicious and enjoyed by children for morning tea.



As an extension to this experience I have provided provisions at the play dough table so as children can create their own dumplings. It was interesting to observe the children playing here as those who had helped with the cooking transferred what they had learnt to their playdough play. There were some children who didn't want to participate in the 'real' dumpling making choosing to create their own noodles and dumplings at the dough table. Many thanks to Fiona, Ying, Yanhui and Xiaojun for helping us make dumplings and sharing your Chinese New Year celebrations.