Risk Benefit Assessment for BATS AND BALLS

Benefits:	Improve strength & physical development Fresh air Friendship and relationships
Risks:	Injury from falls & trips. Injury from being hit by a ball. Injury from being hit by a bat.
Risk Management:	Respectful play – no pushing or snatching. Report any broken pieces to an adult. Use the equipment for its intended purpose. If the area is very busy you may be asked to come back later. **When in that area:** Be aware of the equipment being used. Do not walk behind someone using a bat. If you are running after a ball, be aware of the people around you. **When using a bat:** Use it appropriately, do not just swing it around or throw it. Be aware of other people around you before using the bat.
Good play	Practise own skills. Play with a partner. Play small sided team games. Agree the rules beforehand. Collect balls after you have hit them, don't leave them there. Play gently. **Everyone help tidy away.**
Conclusion:	You can all play with the bats and balls! The benefits outweigh the risk.