

Toddler Class Curriculum

Practical Life

Care of Self

Dressing Frames
Lg. buttons
Zipper
Velcro
Snaps

Washing hands
Use of apron
Blowing nose
Using toilet independently
Getting a drink
Using a towel
Disposing of paper towel
Putting on jacket
Hanging up jacket
Emptying lunch box
Using napkin

Large Motor Skills

Coordination
Balance
Swinging
Climbing
Running
Skipping
Hopping
Jumping
Rolling a ball
Kicking a ball
Marching
Tip-toe

Self-Control & Body Movement

Sitting on the line
Passing an object
Walking on the line
Silence game
Lining up
Carrying a chair
Rolling a rug
Carrying a tray correctly
Carrying materials properly

Developing Independence

Choosing work
Returning work to shelf
Completing work cycle
Working independently

Grace & Courtesy Lessons

Interrupting correctly
Apologizing
Greeting politely
Asking for help
Walking around a rug
Watching a child at work

Food Preparation

Washing fruit & vegetables
Spreading.....stirring
Sifting.....kneading
Mixing.....grating
Squeezing oranges, limes
Coring apples, pears
Slicing bananas
Nut cracking
Table etiquette

Fine Motor Development

Grasping
Scooping (lg. & small)
Spoonng exercises
Dry pouring exercises
Liquid pouring exercises
Using tongs
Clamping clothespins
Using an eyedropper
Using an eggbeater
Basting
Using a ladle
Opening/closing lids
Puzzles
Pegboard
Stringing beads
Gluing
Nuts and bolts
Stamping

Care of the Environment

Squeezing sponge
Crumbing table
Table washing
Sweeping
Dusting
Window cleaning
Cleaning materials
Care of animals
Watering plants
Cleaning & trimming leaves
Arranging flowers
Planting seeds

Sensorial

Visual Discrimination

Knobbed cylinders
Pink tower
Broad stairs
Long rods
Knobless cylinders
Color boxes 1, 2
Language for all above

Auditory Discrimination

Listening for sounds
Matching sounds to pictures
Matching sound cylinders
Grading sound cylinders
Vocabulary: soft, loud
Story books and tapes
Recognizing sounds in environment

Sense of Touch

Touch boards
Touch tablets
Fabric matching
Mystery bags
Sorting objects by touch

Sense of Smell

Recognizing scents
Matching scents
Language

Sense of Taste

Identifying tastes
Language – sweet, sour

Pre-Geometry

Demonstration tray
Language: circle
triangle
square

Language Skills

Oral Language Development

Emphasis on language-rich environment
Correct English usage modeled by teachers
Routines for greeting and dismissing
Wide variety of good read-aloud books
Reading “big books” with repetitive pattern
Wide variety of good read-aloud books
“I Spy” games
Listening games
Finger plays
Musical tapes/records
Rhyming words
Story-telling with puppets
Flannel board stories
Poetry

Pre-Reading Activities

Matching
Sorting
Environment vocabulary cards
Sequencing
Category cards
Figure-ground cards
Alike and different cards
Opposites
Metal insets when ready (age 3)

Mathematics

Readiness for Math (Group Activities)

Number games
Number finger plays
Number songs
Counting things in the environment
Identifying sets of numbers
Making booklets, etc.
Number stories

0 – 10 Activities (Beginning at Age 3)

Number rods
Sandpaper numerals
Rods and numerals
Spindle box 0-9
Cards and counters
Memory games
Many reinforcing materials

Cultural Subjects

Geography

Land/air/water
Ocean
Desert

Science

Living/non-living
Plant/animal
Whales
Birds
Zoo animals
Farm animals
Dinosaurs
Butterflies
Weather
Flowers
Plants
Apples
Pumpkins
Leaves
Nuts

Art

Care of materials
Clean-up routines
Tempera paints
Large crayons
Large markers
Sponging
Collage
Play-dough
Finger-painting
Stamping
Chalk
Easel painting (no more than 2 colors)
Gluing – follow sequence exactly
Cutting – follow sequence exactly (not before 3)

History

Days of week
Months of year
Calendar
Seasons
Holidays
Festivals