

WELCOME TO THE YOUNG TODDLER ROOM

The Young Toddler Room is a wonderful place for your child to receive a great deal of social interaction and will be their first learning experience. We focus on manners and being nice to our friends. Your child will also be exposed to the basics: color recognition, counting, and the ABC's. Your child will learn a variety of songs and movements, along with animal noises and other activities that will be fun to try at home. This will be a very exciting year for your child. We have enclosed a detailed outline of our typical day. We know that it is hard to picture your toddler doing all of these things, but they will in time.

We are very excited to work with your child this year. We hope that you enjoy the many things that your child will be learning. If you have any questions, please feel free to talk to us at any time.

YOUNG TODDLER DAILY OUTLINE

6:30-8:00am	Drop off and free play time
7:30-8:30am	Breakfast <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Children sit at the table2. Children will eat their cereal with a bowl and a spoon3. During all meal times we emphasize the use of table manners verbally and through sign language
8:30-9:00am	Free Play
9:00-9:45am	Outside Time (Weather Permitting) If we are unable to go outside, we will fill the time with a variety of activities.
9:45-10:00am	Group Time <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Flash Cards2. Songs and Finger Plays3. Counting4. Basic Colors
10:00-10:30am	Project Time <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Painting with a variety of tools2. Coloring3. Pasting <p>These projects are done solely by the child and are crucial in the development of small motor skills. Your child will never bring home a “perfect” project. All projects will be done to the best of your child’s ability.</p>
10:30-11:00am	Dancing and Outside Prep. Large motor skills are essential in healthy toddler development.
11:00-11:30am	Book Time (tape books, big books)
11:30-12:30pm	Lunch Time
12:00-2:00pm	Nap Time All of the children sleep on cots.
2:15-2:30pm	Snack Time
2:45-3:30pm	Outside Time
3:30-4:00pm	Table Activities
4:00-4:30pm	Dancing
4:30-6:00pm	Free Play Activities

Everyday a nap sheet will be posted explaining your child's nap and meal time information. We will always give you a verbal description of your child's day. A menu of what is being served for breakfast, lunch, and snack will be posted weekly.

If your child is sent home with a fever of 101 degrees or higher, they must be fever free for 24 hours before they are able to return. Please refer to the Policies and Procedures for a further description of the sick policy.

Please bring in the following items for your child:

Fitted crib sheet, blanket, and pillow for nap time. These items will be sent home every Friday to be washed and brought back.

Extra Clothes for the cubby. Please change these clothes seasonally and make sure to bring them back if they are sent home.

Diapers- The ones you bring in will only be used for your child. A note will be sent home when you need to bring more in.

Wipes- Each child needs a double pack (160 count) of either Pampers or Huggies wipes per month. These wipes are used for all of the children.

Please do not bring in cups from home. We have them here and don't want to mix yours with our cups.

JUST PLAYING

When I'm building in the block room,
Please don't say I'm "Just Playing".
For, you see, I'm learning as I play,
Who knows, I may be an architect someday.

When I'm getting all dressed up,
Setting the table, caring for the babies,
Don't get the idea I'm "Just Playing",
For, you see, I'm learning as I play,
I may be a mother or father someday.

When you see me up to my elbows in paint,
Or standing at an easel, or molding and shaping clay.
Please don't let me hear you say, "He's Just Playing".
I may be a teacher someday.

When you see me engrossed in a puzzle or some
"plaything" at my school,
Please don't feel the time is wasted in "Play".
For, you see, I'm learning as I play.
I'm learning to solve problems and concentrate.
I may be in business someday.

When you see me cooking or tasting foods,
Please don't think that because I enjoy it, it is, "Just Play".
I'm learning to follow directions and see differences.
I may be a cook someday.

When you see me learning to skip, hop, run
And move my body,
Please don't say I'm "Just Playing".
For you see, I'm learning as I play.
I'm learning how my body works.
I may be a doctor, nurse, or athlete someday.

When you ask me what I've done at school today,
And I say, "Just Played",
Please don't misunderstand me,
For, you see, I'm Learning as I play.
I'm learning to enjoy and be successful in my work.
I'm preparing for tomorrow,
Today, I am a child and my work is play.