

12-18 MONTHS CURRICULUM

Develop COGNITIVE skills by:

- Pointing to body and facial parts
- Matching like objects
- Transferring objects (into different containers, switching hands)
- Identifying pictures/objects in books

Develop LANGUAGE skills by:

- Introducing basic color words using materials throughout the classroom, playground and center
- Learning shapes through activities such as books, art time, and playtime

Develop SOCIAL skills by:

- Exploring environment within classroom, playground and center
- Learning how to manipulate toys, i.e. books, puzzles and interactive toys
- Reading books with teachers and classmates
- Playing side by side with classmates

Develop SMALL MOTOR skills by:

- Painting with brushes or fingers
- Coloring with markers or crayons
- Eating with fingers
- Manipulating toys, i.e. shape sorters, turning pages, scooping

Develop LARGE MOTOR skills by:

- Dancing, bending and squatting
- Climbing, i.e. large muscle, indoor/outdoor climbers
- Pushing/pulling and riding on toys

Develop SELF-HELP skills by:

- Drinking out of sippy cups
- Eating off of plates
- Sleeping on cots
- Transitioning from crawling to walking
- Cleaning up toys
- Putting cups away when finished

