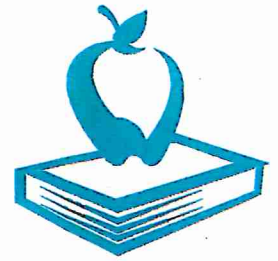


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Family Child Care Newsletter



Things You Can Do with Your Toddler

Activities for Language and Communication Development

Conversing

Talk a lot. Talk about what you are doing and what your toddler is doing. **Tell me who you played with today.**



Questioning

Ask your child questions to encourage further thinking, expand play, and make discoveries. **How did you make those lines?**



Singing, Rhyming, Chanting, Dancing

Use your voice and body in different ways to whisper, soothe, excite, and delight. **Head, shoulders, knees, and toes...**



Creating and Problem-solving

Support your child's curiosity. Ask your child to explain her choices and predict what is going to happen. **What do you think will happen if you put the curved block here?**

Engaging

Give your toddler jobs to do. Help guide him through the steps to complete the task.

Do you think the big red tractor would fit here?



Pretending

Imagine and encourage pretend play. Use new words to describe what your child is doing.

**Who are you today?
Where are you going?**



Themes:

Flowers/Animals/
Spring

Color:
Yellow

Shape:
Circle

Important Dates to
Remember:

May 5-9 Educator
Appreciation Week

May 11 Mother's Day

May 26 Closed for
Memorial Day

Tuition Reminder:

Tuition is due each
Friday by closing time
for the following week.
Please submit
payments in a timely
manner to avoid late
notices. Thank you in
advance for your
cooperation.

Attendance Reminder:

If your child is absent
please remember to
send in a note.



Reminder:

Now that the warmer weather has arrived children will be playing outside more and doing more outside activities. Please make sure that your child is dressed appropriately for the weather and always has a change of clothes available.

Spring Projects:

Providers are asking for your help with several projects your children will be working on this month. They are looking for small planters, seeds, soil and small gardening tools.



Provider Wish List:

Tissue	Baby Wipes	Crayons	Markers
Glue Sticks	Colored Pencils	Art Supplies	
Paper	Egg crates	Yarn	Tape