



The Toddler Program (Ages 2 – 3)

The class size is small and inviting to make it feel like home for the youngest child. It is a period of self-development, learning self-help skills, and preparation to the Primary Program. It is designed to assist the child toward independence, social awareness, respect and the development of motor skills and language. Potty training is offered as well.

Through song, dance and freedom of choice, the toddlers have access to a variety of large muscle activities that offer them opportunities to jump, climb, balance, crawl, and skip. These exercises as well as creative art activities are offered for each child to choose. This freedom in a safe place is crucial to the toddler program. However, it is tempered by two important limits that will be beneficial for a lifetime -- respect for others and respect for the environment.

Practical Life:

- Coordination of movement and exercises for large muscle groups: jumping, climbing, dance, running, walking, carrying exercises etc.
- Hand-eye coordination and exercises for small muscle groups: bead stringing, pegs, puzzles, gluing, folding, pouring, transferring, spooning, grasping.
- Care of Self: dressing frames, hand washing, combing hair, and washing face.
- Care of Environment and Grace and Courtesy: sweeping, wiping table, setting table, table manners, saying "thank you", "please", and other kind words.

Sensorial

- Refinement of the senses: size, shape, color, texture, smell, and taste.
- Color of the Month: emphasis on a color. Art activities, sorting, matching exercises are based on a chosen color for the month.

Language

- Building Vocabulary- Classified vocabulary
- Calendar- Days of the Week and Months of the Year
- Story Books / Felt Board Stories
- Music and Finger plays

Math

- Counting games, Calendar
- Number of the Month: associating quantity to symbol

Cultural

- Geography - Brief introduction to the continents through song, pictures, games and art work.

Enrichment

- Foreign Language
- Art
- Music