

INFANT ROOM GOALS

Our goal is to assist each child's individual development through their first year of life.

During the year infants progress from bottle to sippy cups, from infant seats to feeding chairs and from cribs to cots. Enrichment activity instructors visit the room once per week to teach sign language and movement (physical coordination and exercise activities). All children in the room participate in these activities as soon as they are old enough to do so.

LARGE MOTOR DEVELOPMENT:

1. Assist infants in sitting up
2. Allow for tummy time to prepare for crawling
3. Use exersaucer and pull-up bar to facilitate standing and walking

FINE MOTOR DEVELOPMENT

1. Provide objects to watch and grab
2. Use finger foods to refine pincher grasp
3. Teach clap, wave, and sign language

INTELLECTUAL DEVELOPMENT:

1. Use rattles, instruments, songs, and signs for sound and imitation
2. Play games teaching object permanence
3. Imitate sounds to teach words

SOCIAL AND EMOTIONAL DEVELOPMENT

1. Do all possible to meet basic needs of each child and help them to develop a sense of trust
2. Sing and sign songs, read age appropriate books
3. Spend one-on-one time with each child to teach them they are special

As the children grow, we will put away infant toys and provide age appropriate toys and activities for their new skills. As a part of our daily routine and curriculum we will be taking the children outside for walks and to play.

