

Communication & Language

- Speak in sentences.
- Contribute to group discussions.
- Recite rhymes on their own.
- Pay attention while another is speaking.
- Follow three-step directions.

Physical Development

- Pour liquid into a wide glass.
- Demonstrate increased hand-eye co-ordination.
- Gain increased facility with use of glue and new materials.
- Demonstrate increased strength in fine motor skills.

Personal, Social & Emotional Development

- Make increasingly independent decisions.
- Assume responsibility for tidying up.
- Follow simple routines.
- Show increasing skill in co-operative play.
- Resolve simple conflicts with peers.
- Follow simple game rules.
- Participate in Story Time and other group times.
- Respect space and materials of others.

Vocabulary

band
beat
drum
hand bells
instrument
maracas
music
opposites
high/low
fast/slow
loud/soft
stop/go
orchestra
rhythm
rhythm sticks
tambourine

Making Music - Learning Focus

Thematic Concepts

- Sounds are all around us.
- Music is made up of sounds.
- Musical instruments make sounds in different ways.

- Musical instruments have names.
- Music has a beat.

Literacy

- Identify some letter names in context.
- Tell a story from pictures.
- Demonstrate increasing interest and understanding of stories.
- Enjoy writing and drawing to communicate meaning.

Mathematics

- Create simple patterns.
- Recognise same and different.
- Classify by one category.
- Sort by sound.

Understanding the World

- Tell opposites (high/low, loud/soft, fast/slow, stop/go).
- Observe and compare objects.
- Identify familiar sounds.
- Observe the consequences of actions.
- Know simple science concepts (heavy/light, cause and effect).

Expressive Arts and Design

- Compare different sights and experiences.
- Participate in music, dance and art activities.
- Experiment with and gain skill in using a variety of creative play activities.
- Respond to tempo differences.
- Enjoy creative movement.
- Take on increasingly complex roles and leadership in dramatic play.

NOTE: Communication and Language development is a major focus in Curiosity Corner. This is best achieved through consistent teacher modelling, use of talk partners and co-operative learning strategies and encouraging children to work together.