

## The Biggest Little Preschool & Childcare Centre Themes and Goals

**Our program is based on monthly themes, which include:**

**September:** Welcome to preschool, Gradual Entry, All About Me, The Senses

**October:** Thanksgiving, Apples, Pumpkins, Halloween Fun

**November:** Autumn, Forest Friends, Bears

**December:** Christmas

**January:** Winter, Arctic Animals

**February:** Valentine's Day, Dinosaurs, The Jungle

**March:** Space

**April:** Easter, The Farm, Growing Things

**May:** Mother's Day, Bugs, The Pond

**June:** The Ocean, Summer Fun, Father's Day, Graduation

You can expect that within these themes children are taught the following:

**Math Concepts:** Counting, patterns, estimation, graphing, sorting, critical thinking, calendar, puzzles, building, sizes, shapes, simple addition & subtraction

**Science:** Weather, nature, recycling, sensory table, textures, group experiments, color blends

**Language:** Songs, stories using visuals & props, discussion, Fun family phonics, letter recognition, pre-writing skills, conversation, listening, appreciation of books, motivation to read, dramatic play

**Fine motor:** art using various materials (structured, open ended & group art), cutting, manipulatives, pinching, grasping

**Gross motor:** Games, outdoor time, walks, field trips, risk taking

**Social/Emotional development:** Friendship, turn-taking, independence, problem solving, respect, kindness, caring, honesty, responsibility, patience, sharing, listening, enthusiasm, imagination, community awareness, cooperation, building relationship, following classroom rules, taking care of personal self & health, confidence, sense of self worth, self control

**Documentation:** Look on Facebook where we will post pictures of the children doing activities and what the learning outcomes are. This is a great way to demonstrate what the children are doing in class and keeping you informed.

**Yoga:** We incorporate yoga into our program allowing the children to relax, think and join in the poses.

**VIP:** Each child will have a turn being the "Very Important Preschooler". We will send a poster home to complete. If your child would like to bring a special picture or book to bring but no other items will be allowed from home.

**Field Trips:** We do various field trips in the local area.. Stay tuned! Parents are responsible for driving their own child to and from field trips. Preschool only.

**Birthdays:** We will celebrate your child's birthday with singing and a special birthday badge. Please do not send food items due to the high number of allergies.

Don't forget to "like us" on Facebook! We post pictures, videos and information regularly.

Thank you and we look forward to a great year ahead!