

Concepts to Explore with Twos

Front Street Playschool uses these Concepts to Explore as an overview and “window” into our two year old classrooms. Exposure to these concepts is the goal, not mastery. Some children will be interested in more advanced concepts. We will encourage them and provide opportunities for them to explore their interests.

Cognitive:

- Identify and respond to name
- Name everyday objects
- Sorting by color
- Matching by color – "Put all the red things in this basket"
- Counting by rote 1-10
- Listening to a short story
- Exposure to name in print – on cubbies and artwork
- Counting with one-to one correspondence 1-5 or higher
- Recognizing basic colors
- Recognizing simple shapes – circle, square, triangle, rectangle
- Exposure to simple patterns

Fine and Gross Motor

- Making balls and snakes with playdough
- Exposure to crayons, large paint brushes, and other art tools while using the pincer grip
- Learning to put together simple puzzles
- Jumping up and down with 2 feet
- Climbing independently on the playground
- Throwing and rolling balls in the gym
- Exposure to group play with parachutes and other materials

Social, Emotional, and Language

- Using language to get needs met and for conflict resolution
- Putting toys away in appropriate places
- Making appropriate animal sounds – cow says “moo”
- Naming objects in the classroom
- Singing simple songs
- Names of classmates
- Correctly naming basic parts of the body – head, eyes, ears, nose, mouth, hands, fingers, feet, toes, legs, tummy
- Using "big" and "little" appropriately
- Reciting short finger plays
- Exposure to positional words- under, over, on, beside