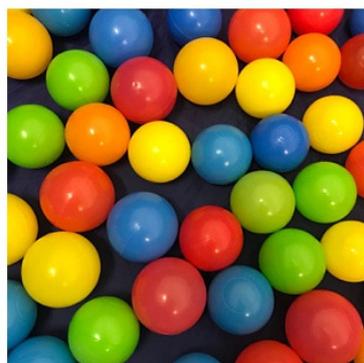


Colour Class Week

Colour class is a very visual week, lots of colours to look at throughout the class. In our exploratory play section we have two rainbow areas with lots of brightly coloured toys, using the net colours to pick the same coloured toy off the same background this assists their visual discrimination skills. Single colour toys are amazing for visual development as baby will see whole toy in the same level of focus.



Colour class week

equipment

maracas

rainbow ribbons

metal bells

led play

1. rub, rub, rub

2. maracas - handing out one maraca per person encourage some parents to shake the maraca to the side of the baby to encourage tracking. Lots of holding and touching and shaking the maraca.

3. rainbow ribbons - two texture toy, parents are in charge of the ribbons and ask them to monitor their little ones (in eye sight and arms reach). Lots of shaking and feeling the ribbons, older babies are encouraged to do some shaking.

4. metal bells - one bell per adult giving the parent a different colour to their neighbour. Bells are for adult use, little ones can hold and touch, please stress that this toy is not for mouths. Tracking the noise to one side. Babies may go quiet when hearing a noise for the first time.

5. tummy time - encourage parents to place babies on tummy, moving their arms forward, distract them with the toys they have got. Be really responsive, lifting baby once they have had enough. For older babies who are mobile, moving toys away to encourage them to move. Encourage parents to do tummy time daily

Colour class week

exploratory play

Three exploratory play areas, all of our areas have single colour toys in them to encourage visual development and music toys in them and toys for shaking (older babies practicing gross motor skills) and toys for holding (fine motor skills)

Rainbow soft space - (duvet wrapped in blankets parents supporting new sitters), with rainmakers, maracas, links and star links, egg shakers, rainbow fabric, clouds and sun.

Using net on a fleece blanket create strips of single colour playspace - great for visual development, picking the same colour toy off the same coloured background.

Rainbow ball pool - up to three babies in the ball pool at any time, balls and blocks in the pool for motor skill development.

calming cuddle

notes

Exploratory play - pull out some toys before the exploratory play and talk parents through them, give them the invitation to play. Please let them know not to put the bottle shakers in their mouths. Check that there are some plastic toys in each exploratory play area.

Please ensure that you let parents know they are responsible for their child at the class and to keep their little one in arms reach and eye sight at all times.

Colour class week

packing list

coloured chiffons
rainbow ribbons
rainbow metal bells

rainbow area

duvet
pale blue fleece blankets
rainmakers
bottle shakers
maracas
links
starlinks
rainbow fabric

single colour playspace

blue, yellow or red, depending on availability of toys
fleece
net
links, starlinks, plush toy and music toys

Rainbow music area

rainbow net fabrics
selection of music toys

rainbow parachute
bubbles