

Curriculum Night

**Bright Horizons at
Braintree Hill**



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Infants

The World at Their Fingertips curriculum gives infants opportunities to reach their greatest potential in all areas.

Nurture and care for the whole child

Language Development

- ▶ Teachers model communication skills through everyday experiences with babies.
- ▶ Infants learn to explore picture books and enjoy book time by having daily access to age-appropriate books and listening to books throughout the day.



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Early Math & Science Awareness

- ▶ As infants gaze intently at geometric shapes or explore the spaces around them, they are experimenting with the earliest concepts in math.
- ▶ Babies are born scientists – programmed to investigate, experiment and discover how the world works



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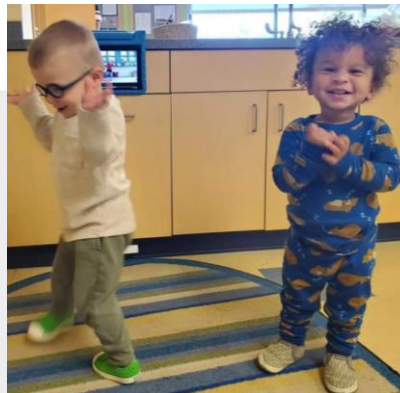
Toddlers

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Language and early literacy

- ▶ Toddlers are learning to increase vocabulary, particularly names of objects and actions. They are learning this by looking at and describing language-rich photographs, books and matching games that stretch their vocabulary.
- ▶ Toddlers are also learning to follow directions by engaging in group activities that require following simple directions.
- ▶ Toddlers are starting to learn to participate in give and take conversation by conversing with teachers who model communication both one-on-one and in groups..
- ▶ Toddlers love to listen and move their bodies to music. We often participate in group songs, rhymes and games to promote listening skills.



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Social & Emotional Development

- ▶ Toddlers have a natural sense of wonder and curiosity that provides a perfect platform for developing values and understanding for his or her place in the world.
- ▶ Toddlers are learning to make friends and develop positive relationships by playing together in centers, sharing, being sensitive to others feelings and showing compassion.
- ▶ Toddler teacher's talk about feelings and support the child's emotional growth as they learn to regulate their emotions and develop a sense of self.
- ▶ The toddlers are also gaining an understanding of how their bodies work and what they need. This helps lay the groundwork for a lifetime of healthy habits.



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Preschool

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Beginning Reading and Writing Skills

- ▶ Preschoolers are learning to appreciate and enjoy children's books while understanding that printed words have meaning. They learn this by hearing stories repeated frequently, identifying classroom signs and labels and making up their own stories and "reading them aloud."
- ▶ Preschoolers engage in meaningful conversations with teachers and peers. This is helping them learn to participate in reciprocal conversation and develop memory and listening skills.
- ▶ In preschool, we learn to refine our small muscle skills by using these muscles to lace cards, string beads and practice using drawing and writing materials available in classroom.
- ▶ Preschoolers learn to make purposeful marks by making circular, angular, curved or looped marks. This will help them to learn pre-writing and be able to write their own names on their project work.



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Math & Science Concepts

- ▶ Preschool children are constantly engaged in research and experimentation. We are learning to identify physical properties and recognize basic properties. We learn this by investigating natural items and exploring objects such as our light table and light blocks.
- ▶ Preschoolers are starting to understand numbers and quantities, identify sets and numbers and make estimations. We learn this through role play (grocery store), counting everyday items before we use them and using bar graphs to graph things like weather trends.
- ▶ Classification, sorting and grouping are also skills we use everyday in preschool. The preschoolers learn these skills by sorting items such as blocks by color and size.



Health and Safety

The protocols in place in our centers are being well received and appreciated by all. The children are happily engaged and thriving, showing their amazing resiliency. Our enhanced protocols meet or exceed CDC guidelines, licensing regulations and local ordinances. These protocols are reviewed and revised weekly to reflect the most current standards and recommendations.

- ▶ The *Well Aware* curriculum lays the groundwork for a lifetime of healthy habits. We are learning to practice proper hygiene and understand the importance of cleanliness. We are learning this by following signs and examples that illustrate ways to wash our hands, blow our noses and cover our coughs.



Health and Safety

OLLY POP

Hi, my name is Olly Pop and I am the Bright Horizons® Health and Safety Superhero. I help children learn how to take care of their growing bodies and brains. From nutrition, to playground safety tips, we have fun as we work on our wellness. One thing we focus on every day is illness prevention. Through handwashing, proper sneezing techniques, and cleaning our classroom, we can prevent lots of germs from spreading. With cold and flu going around, and the new coronavirus, we use Olly Pop's valuable lessons and stories in our classrooms everyday!

