

# **Toddler & Early Preschool Goals & Objectives**

## **Social-Emotional Development**

Children build a sense of self and relationships through sharing, listening, following simple rules, cooperative play, and expressing feelings.

## **Language & Communication**

Children develop early language skills by using short phrases, answering simple questions, saying their name, listening to stories, and expanding vocabulary.

## **Cognitive Development**

Children grow thinking and problem-solving skills through play, including recognizing colors, matching objects and sounds, remembering routines, and pretend play.

## **Physical Development & Health**

Children strengthen gross and fine motor skills such as running, jumping, throwing, using tools, and practicing self-help skills like eating independently and handwashing.

## **Approaches to Learning**

Children build curiosity, independence, and confidence by choosing activities, exploring materials, persisting in tasks, and adapting to transitions.

## **Creative Arts**

Children explore creativity through music, singing, movement, instruments, and dramatic play.

## **Spiritual Development**

Children are introduced to foundational Christian beliefs in a loving, age-appropriate way, including learning that Jesus loves them, prayer, the Bible is God's special book, and celebrating the true meaning of Christmas and Easter.

## **How Families Can Support Learning at Home**

Simple, everyday interactions help support your child's growth. Families can encourage learning by reading together, talking throughout the day, practicing kindness and turn-taking, encouraging independence, providing time for active play, enjoying music and creativity, and sharing simple prayers and faith conversations at home.

Every child develops at their own pace. Our goal is to partner with families to support each child in a loving, patient, and encouraging environment.