

Parent Guide

2010-2011 Activity Schedule

	Themes	Colors/Shapes
Fall 2010	Forest Helpers Music & Song	Red Triangle
Winter 2010-2011	Trains Penguins Hearts & Hugs	Blue Circle
Spring 2011	Ocean Bunny Parade Nature	Yellow Square
Summer 2011	Tutti Fruitti Vacation Beautiful Bugs	Black White Star

An Overview of the
2010-2011 Curriculum Year



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Welcome to FunShine Express™

We are offering a variety of activities this year through the use of our infant/toddler curriculum program, Buttercups™.



Buttercups™ is a professionally designed infant/toddler curriculum program for children ages 6 months to 36 months.

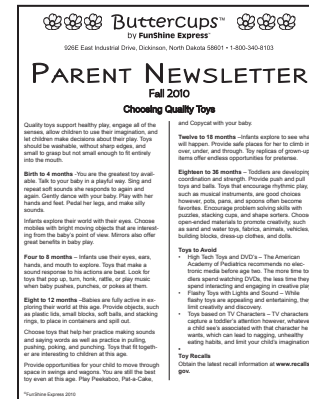
FunShine Express™ Infant/Toddler Program Goals:

- Our curriculum is based on current research and sound educational theories of early childhood learning and development.
- We provide a wide range of hands-on, interactive activities that allow children to use their unique learning styles to experiment and explore their surroundings.
- The activities in our monthly kits stimulate creativity, build a positive self-image in each child, and address the needs of the whole child.
- We encourage involvement of family members in each child's learning through literature and suggested activities.
- The program is easy to use, flexible, and requires minimal preparation by the teacher.



The program consists of quarterly kits - Fall, Winter, Spring, and Summer. Each kit is centered around three themes with each theme covering a four week period. Every week the program offers activities and materials to promote and enhance physical, mental, and social growth in four areas - Language Development, Physical Development, Cognitive Development, and Social-Emotional Development.

Language Development activities include songs, rhymes, fingerplays, vocabulary, and communication skills. Physical Development focuses on gross and fine motor skills. Cognitive Development introduces basic concepts and opportunities to develop problem solving skills through art projects, sensory activities, and dramatic play. Social-Emotional Development explores relationships, self awareness, self regulation, and trust.



A Parent Newsletter will be provided each quarter. It includes up-to-date information on a topic related to child development or behavior, a list of the program's goals, the themes and concepts introduced, songs, rhymes, or fingerplays, and a book list (consider gathering some of the suggested book titles to supplement the program).

Contact Us!

Please visit our website at www.funshineexpress.com for upcoming themes or to shop for educational resources and gifts. If you wish to speak to us directly, call **1.800.340.8103**. We will be happy to assist you!

