

Fun Activities for *Fine Motor Skills*:

- Provide crayons, markers, pencils, scissors, glue, paints, etc. for your child to use and to express their creativity!
- String beads, Fruit Loops, etc. to make necklaces.
- Roll and shape playdough into snakes and other interesting creatures!
- Pick up small objects with tweezers and tongs.
- Put together puzzles.
- Play with Legos, Tinker Toys, Bristle Blocks, and other small building toys.
- Use a Lite-Brite to form pictures and designs.
- Tear various colors of paper and glue together to make a picture.
- Use scissors to cut straight lines, wavy lines, zig zags, and to make fringe along the edge of paper to create grass!

Fun Activities for Math:

- Focus your child's attention on the colors, shapes, and numbers seen all around them! Ask them to help you read the numerals on signs, to point out the shapes of items in the grocery store, to find colors inside and out!
- Let your budding chef assist you in the kitchen. Let them help pour, mix, measure, roll, etc.! ([Simple Recipes](#))
- Encourage the practice of sorting skills while folding laundry, putting toys away, playing with colored blocks, eating their favorite candies such as M&M's, etc!
- For numeral practice, make two flash cards of each numeral (0-5 to start and then adding higher numerals as skill increases). Play go fish, sort and match the numerals, go around the house and place the numeral card next to sets of that many objects, play memory, bingo, etc. You can create similar simple games for the shapes and colors!
- Refer to the calendar frequently. Talk about the days of the week, the date, count the number of days left until an upcoming event.
- There are objects all around your home to practice counting (books, shoes, shirts, toys, pens, etc.)! Have your child touch and move each item forward as he/she is counting.
- Play dominoes and board games in which children have to roll a die and count how many spaces they get to move!

All resources are found at <http://www.hubbardscupboard.org/>