

OTTERS



The Otters class is offered for children who are **18 months old by August 31 until they are 3 years old.**

Children at this age are just beginning to be capable of separation, so parents have the option to attend each class or to work towards dropping students off on days that are not their once-a-week work day. **The goal of this class is to encourage independence by cultivating trust and security in the classroom.** Skill development is focused on familiarizing students with schedules and activity transitions, increasing verbal communication, and encouraging bodily management through self-guided play, music, art, sensory, and pretend activities.

Time	Activity Type	Typical Activities
8:45 - 9:15 am	Open Play and Hello!	Getting settled Free play and exploration
9:15 - 9:30 am	Circle Time	Teacher-led reading Discussion of theme songs Teacher-guided pretend play
9:30 - 10:15 am	Guided Activity Stations	3-4 stations of activities Literacy skill builders Arts & Crafts
10:15 - 10:45 am	Handwashing and Snack	
10:45 - 11:15 am	Organized Big Muscle and Movement Activities	Movement games Cars and Trikes Music and Movement Go for a Walk
11:15 - 11:30 am	Goodbye!	Closing song Dance party