

1. Children are naturally curious and have an innate desire to learn about the world.

What We Believe

We believe that children are born with a natural curiosity and an intrinsic motivation to explore and understand the world around them. This innate desire to learn drives their questions, observations, and discoveries, forming the foundation for lifelong learning and growth.

Why This is Important

Recognizing and supporting children's natural curiosity and innate desire to learn is crucial because it lays the foundation for meaningful, lifelong learning. When we value their questions and encourage exploration, we help children develop critical thinking, creativity, and confidence. This support fosters a love of learning, rather than a fear of failure, and helps children become self-motivated, resilient learners.

✓ What it looks like when we get it right.	✗ What it feels like when we get it wrong.
Child-led exploration validates the children's interests and deepens their learning through inquiry.	If curiosity is dismissed or ignored, children may stop asking questions or lose enthusiasm when their interests are brushed aside in favor of rigid schedules or adult-directed lessons.
Open-ended questions and materials encourage critical thinking, creativity, and experimentation without fear of being "wrong."	Fearing failure in environments where there's only one "right" answer, children may become anxious, withdrawn, or reluctant to try new things.
Providing safe space for wondering and making mistakes nurtures confidence and the belief that their thoughts and questions are valuable.	When learning feels disconnected from their natural interests, children may appear bored, distracted, or resistant, signaling that their intrinsic motivation isn't being tapped.