



INTERESTING BENEFITS OF
WATER PLAY
IN EARLY CHILDHOOD
DEVELOPMENT



SPLISH SPLASH, THE 5 BENEFITS OF WATER PLAY FOR CHILDREN!



1. DEVELOP MOTOR SKILLS

Water Play gives many opportunities to develop fine and gross motor skills across age ranges. Children will increase their fine motor skills and hand-eye coordination through actions like pouring, squirting, scrubbing, stirring and squeezing.



2. PROBLEM-SOLVING SKILLS

Observing a branch or paper float or sink will teach them, in a very practical way, how and why things happen. But above all, it encourages them to use their imagination, develops creative thinking which plays an important role in problem-solving.



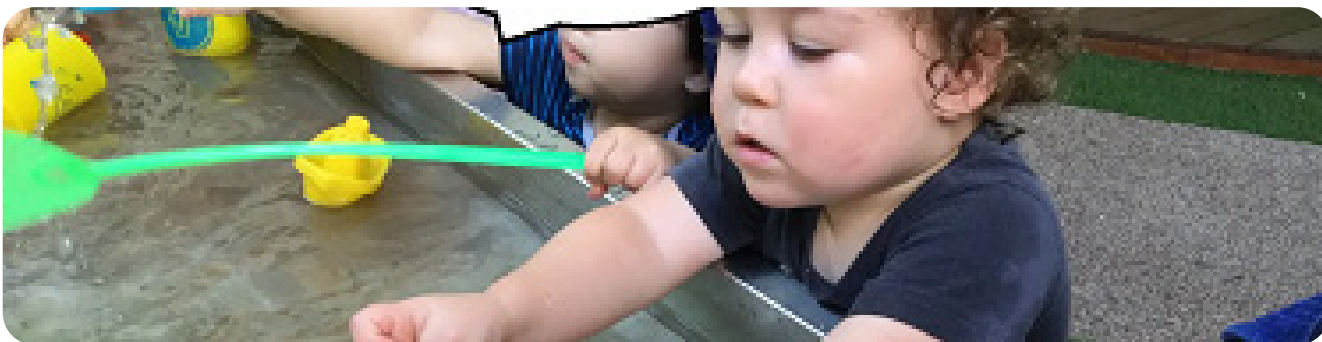
3. LANGUAGE DEVELOPMENT

Imagine the discussions you can have asking what they are doing. Imagine then, the number of new words they will learn while having fun with water and having conversations about it! Basin, Damp, Depth, Drain, Flow, Drenched, Drizzle, Sieve...



4. SOCIAL-EMOTIONAL GROWTH

Gentle water play allows them to unwind, order their thoughts and relax. It also encourages role play and crucial social skills like cooperation and sharing. They learn to work with one or several children, to take turns and share the space and accessories with their friends.



5. SCIENCE AND MATHEMATICS LEARNING

Water Play builds the foundation for understanding various scientific concepts. Did you know we use water play to teach basic mathematics? It will introduce children to terms such as Full, Empty, Half, Less. We will measure, compare volumes and observe motion, maybe a plant and animal life if we are lucky... We will count the rocks in the basin and notice the flow change as we move them. All these concepts are part of the Curriculum in Kindergarten. What a fun way to work on Preschool readiness programs! Science is everywhere around us.