



OVERVIEW

Your two to four-year-old is in the most exciting stage of development. We believe this is the most critical stage of human growth and that quality education and enriched experiences are the architect of optimal development.

We also know that parenting can be tough and rather than pressure, you need support and easy-to-use content to help you as you develop your little one's potential.

As early childhood experts, we know that your child needs to develop these core capacities to be a future player:

- ★ Self-regulation
- ★ Creativity
- 🛧 Language
- ★ Problem solving
- ★ Collaboration



HOW PLAY SENSE DEVELOPS THESE CORE CAPACITIES

Our curriculum is rooted in developmental psychologist, Lev Vygotsky's ethos that guided play is the secret to scaffolding a child's learning and development.

You may wonder why we prioritize these core capacities over cognitive and motor skill development. Rooted in the evidence-based research, we know that soft skills are your toddler's gateway to future success and that guided imaginary play promotes this development optimally. It is through imagination and make-believe play, that your toddler will share ideas (develop language), plan play (executive function), use props (creativity) and learn flexibility (collaboration).

In addition to learning these super skills, your child will socialize and make friends in our online morning ring using Zoom. This morning ring is guided by a skilled teacher who offers engaging experiences, capturing little minds as your little ones get to know each other, take turns, develop language and listening skills.

Play Sense was founded by Occupational Therapists and parenting experts, Meg Faure and Lara Schoenfeld. Lara, a university lecturer, is fastidious about the research into play-based methods of learning. She maintains the standard of the curriculum to ensure your little one is getting the guidance they need to develop their super skills.

Vygotsky concluded that of all activities, [pretend play] affords young children the greatest opportunity to become self-regulated. **Berk**, 2018



EDUCATION BY DESIGN

Your Play Sense teacher will be your guide and connect with your child daily - conducting the most amazing program with your little one. She and all the friends in your child's virtual class will be following the same curriculum on our portal.

Play Sense delivers two activities each day according to a theme. Each theme is divided into sub-themes that have a human role for that theme. With each week focused on a human role, your child will be encouraged to use their imagination to explore the language and activities of that role.

Each week you will receive 3 art activities, 2 sensory play, 2 outdoor play and 3 imaginary play scenarios.

Here is an example of the 'My Town' theme, the roles, and an example of one of each type of activity for the week.



	ART	IMAGINARY PLAY	SENSORY	OUTDOOR PLAY
The builder	Creating a paint wall using Duplo stamping	Building a house	Sand excavation	Measuring space
The shopkeeper	Making a shopping bag with paint	Cleaning the shop	Playdough butcher	Packing shelves using recycled boxes
The chef	Clay doughnuts	Following a recipe	Decorating cookies	Tossing 'pancakes'
The fireman	Fire String painting	Climbing the ladder to put out the fire	Fire and Sand	Put out the fire – throwing task

HOW IS IT DELIVERED

Once signed up, you will receive access to the curriculum on our online portal. Each week you will access the list of materials needed for the week ahead. All the items can be easily accessed at a supermarket or craft store near you. Each day you will receive two new activities to do with your little one.

Here is an example of a typical morning with Play Sense Online:

- It's time for your morning ring! Connect with your teacher and the rest of your playschool friends
- Take a few minutes for yourself to relax (or catch up on emails!) while your teacher engages with your little one* and sets the scene for the day
- Head over to your daily activity plan on our online platform. There you will find art and sensory activities, gross motor games, outdoor play, and our essential imaginary play activities planned for the week. Have fun with your little one exploring the week's theme together!
- Your teacher is available to you all morning to answer questions, share ideas and offer any guidance she can. Don't hesitate to get in touch for additional support!
- Take a break from activities and enjoy a social Snack Time on Zoom with the rest of your online playschool
- · Keep an eye out for messages from your teacher throughout the morning - she will have some additional fun things up her sleeve to help keep your little one entertained!
- Zoom back in for Group Reading and Reflection Time where your teacher will conclude the day and give you a short break.

*Your Play Sense teacher is trained in how to engage your little one online so you can have a short break, but children should not be left unsupervised.







Are you ready to unleash your inner child and play-to-learn with your little one?



Re-IMAGINING EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION