



# August Toddlers

## Skill Focus

- Uses two to four word sentences
- Answers questions about familiar objects and events in books
- Sorts by color and begins to sort by size
- Feeds self with spoon and fork

## Home Enrichment

*Where oh where?*

Skills developed: object permanence, gross motor skills, imagination, problem-solving

What you'll need: a favorite stuffed animal or baby doll

Show your toddler the teddy bear (or other animal or doll) and say, "Teddy is going to hide! Can you find him?" Then stash the teddy somewhere – it's surprisingly easy to do this without your child seeing the actual hiding place. Just walk around the room, wait until her gaze is averted, and slip it behind a couch cushion. Hey, you're Houdini!

Choose easy hiding places at first, like the highchair or stroller; Gradually increase the difficulty of the hiding places as your toddler's seeking skills get sharper. Feel free to offer some hints if she's having trouble, and give her a big cheerleader-style congratulations when she does find him.

## Reminders & Announcements

**Friday, August 21<sup>st</sup>**  
**Merryhill School closed for Professional Development Day**  
**Academic School Year Starts on Monday, August 24<sup>th</sup>!**

## Upcoming Events

- **Monday, August 3<sup>rd</sup> National Watermelon Day**
- **Wednesday, August 5<sup>th</sup> Favorite Sports Team T-Shirt Day**
- **Friday, August 7<sup>th</sup> Splash Day**
- **Wednesday, August 12<sup>th</sup> 50's Day**
- **Friday, August 14<sup>th</sup> Splash Day**
- **Monday, August 17<sup>th</sup> Parent's Breakfast on the Go**
- **Wednesday, August 19<sup>th</sup> End of Summer Carnival – Dress Like a Clown**

**2015 RUN IN THE DARK 1K, 5K & 10K**  
**Saturday, September 19<sup>th</sup> 4pm-10 pm**  
<http://www.runinthedarkdfw.com/register/>

Please sign up to participate so together we can help our community!

