

# January ~ PreTodds



## Skill Focus

- Responds to simple one step directions
- Gives a book to an adult to read
- Throws a ball forward
- Points with index finger
- Demonstrates understanding of up and down
- Pretends to be familiar animals

## Home Enrichment

### Follow the Leader

Young children are such a bundle of energy. A short "exercise class" not only helps their large muscle development, but it can also be a sanity saver on a long, rainy day indoors. You'll feel better afterward, too!

Encourage your child to follow your lead as you exercise together. Try touching toes, running in place, swinging your arms, and stretching to the ceiling. Exercise to music, pass a ball back and forth, or twirl a long ribbon in the air. For a change, let your child be the leader and you follow his example.

## Reminders and Announcements

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| 1/1  | School Closed for New Year's Holiday |
| 1/18 | Parent Teacher Conferences           |
| 1/23 | Open House 10-1                      |
| 1/29 | Monthly Folders                      |

## Upcoming Events

- 1/6 ~ Cuddle Up Day
- 1/13 ~ Make Your Dream Come True Day
- 12/23 ~ Penguin Awareness Day – Wear Black & White
- 1/20 ~ Monthly Folders
- 1/27 ~ National Chocolate Cake Day

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