



# HOUSEWORK

## PARENT HANDOUT



### CIRCLE TIME

#### CLEAN SWEEP

Tune: The Mulberry Bush

*This is the way we sweep the floor,  
Sweep the floor, sweep the floor.  
This is the way we sweep the floor,  
So early in the morning.*

Pass out small brooms and dust pans. Scatter paper scraps on floor.

#### HEY DIDDLE DIDDLE

Nursery Rhyme

*Hey, diddle, diddle, the cat and the fiddle,  
The cow jumped over the moon.  
The little dog laughed to see such sport,  
And the dish ran away with the spoon.*

Shake tamborine to Nursery Rhyme.

#### DUST BUNNIES

Group Movement Activity

Children and parents move around the room and dust furniture with dusters.

Play traditional gospel music.

### CREATIVE PLAY STATIONS

Free play with theme puzzles, playdoh, textured jumbo blocks and bubbles

#### WASHING DISHES

Messy Play

Children and parents wash and rinse doll dishes at a sensory table filled with warm soapy water. Provide sponges, bottle brushes, and dishcloths to introduce different textures. Add dish soap bottles filled with water.

#### PRETTY SHELF PAPER

Creative Play

Children use nylon net puffs to print with blue and yellow paint on shelf paper. Roll up shelf paper when dry. Label with child's name and take home.

#### HOUSE CLEANING

Communication/Pretend Play


Children and parents clean up the housekeeping center. Provide dusters, scrub brushes, buckets of water and toy vacuum cleaners. Use the words "clean" and "dirty."

#### SILVERWARE DRAWER

Problem Solving Play


Children explore a pile of mixed plastic spoons, forks and knives. Children dump and fill or sort plastic silverware into three different boxes.

### SNACK TIME

 Cooked spaghetti wrapped on large pretzel sticks to make "mops" and juice

### HOME PLAY

**Praise your child. Hug, kiss, smile, and say, "You're phenomenal!"**

 Let your child help with housework such as setting the table, dusting the furniture, and sweeping with a child sized broom.

### TEN THINGS EVERY CHILD NEEDS

 Interaction  Loving Touch  Stable Relationship  Safety and Health  Self Esteem  Quality Child Care  Communication  Play  Music  Reading