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Physical Development	Birth to three - babies, toddlers and young children will be learning to:	Three and Four-Year-Olds will be learning to	Three and Four-Year-Olds will be learning to
Fine Motor Skills	 Use large and small motor skills to do things independently, for example manage buttons and zips, and pour drinks. Show an increasing desire to be independent, such as wanting to feed themselves and dress or undress. Hold a pair of scissors in one hand and snip with support. Move between two hands when holding a pencil / paintbrush etc but has some preference for a dominant hand 	Uses equipment with increasing awareness of risk and safe practise	 Use one-handed tools and equipment, with greater accuracy and skill Demonstrate increasing control when holding pens and pencils. Grip moving towards an adjusted / tripod grip Start eating independently and learning how to use a knife and fork. Show a preference for a dominant hand. Demonstrate an ability to dress ndepednt;y - using a zip, putting on a coat etc
Physical Development	 Eat finger food and develop likes and dislikes. Try a wider range of foods with different tastes and textures. Learn to use the toilet with help, and then independently. 	 Show some increasing independence in meeting their own care needs, e.g. brushing teeth, using the toilet, washing and drying their hands thoroughly. Make healthy choices about food, drink, activity and toothbrushing. Is able to describe different tastes and textures and makes independent choices in their food. 	 Three and Four-Year-Olds will be learning to Be increasingly independent in meeting their own care needs, e.g. brushing teeth, using the toilet, washing and drying their hands thoroughly. Begin to throw and catch a ball with increasing control Use whole body to climb, swing and balance with increasing control Move in a range of ways with increasing control Be able to sit and hold a position for a short period without slouching Shows increasingly ability to eat independently-feeding themselves and making healthy choices Is able to recognise Healthy choices and say when they are hungry, full or thirsty.
	2+ Skills	3+ Skills	4+ Skills
Launchpad for Literacy	 I explore texture and moving parts I pick up small items such as raisins or threads. I turn pages one-by-one I build a tower of five or six bricks. 	 I hold a crayon and scribble freely. I paint with wrist action, making dots. I use two containers to pour and fill. I cut with scissors. 	 I draw a person on request with heads, legs and body I complete simple jigsaws that contain 6 to 10 pieces I track objects, pictures and text with my finger from left to right.
Motor: Fine Motor	 I make vertical, horizontal and circular marks. I thread cotton reels or big beads. I snip with scissors. 	 I manipulate dough to make balls and snakes. I draw a person on request with head and face, usually no body I draw circles and can copy V, H and T I use scissors to cut I paint and draw freely I can thread small beads or complete a threading card I thread and screw nuts, bolts and washer. I build structures with blocks, boxes and planks. I can complete a sorting task using tweezers 	 I copy the letters X, V, T, H and O I hold a pencil using a conventional grip I button and unbutton I write one or two letters independently, usually ones from my name I cut on a line continuously. I copy triangles, squares and other geometric shapes.