



Understanding  
Our World

## Early Childhood Movement



### Managing the Complexity of Systems

This Super Unit is a structured inquiry into helping the learner understand the world around them. Learners will manage the complex systems of our world. Learners will be empowered to improve the effectiveness and efficiency of the systems in our world. Learners will develop their ability to do systems thinking.



## Highlights of Learning Experiences

SuperUnit Launch: Picture walk of movement concepts

Field Trip(s): Movement on Campus walks, Fire Station

Guest Speaker(s): Alison Lockwood-Nguyen, Yoga Joy owner/instructor

Projects: Children will take part in interest based projects

Core Values: Academic Excellence: Critical Thinking  
Sense of Self: Lifelong Learning

SuperUnit Celebration: Child directed showcase of learning



## Focus on Learning by Subject

Physical Development and Motor Skills

- Demonstrate gross motor skills
- Demonstrate fine motor skills

Social and Emotional Development

- Develop relationships and social skills with peers.

Approaches to Play and Learning

- Engage in a progression of imaginative play
- Demonstrate a cooperative and flexible approach to play and learning

Communication, Language, and Literacy

- Acquire meaning from a variety of materials read to him/her
- Use writing for a variety of purposes

Cognitive Development and General Knowledge

- Demonstrate knowledge related to physical science
- Explore and communicate about distance, weight, length, height and time
- Use mathematical problem solving, reasoning, estimation and communication
- Create and explore visual art forms to develop artistic expression

s in different ways.



## Questions to Ask your Child

- What are some words you might use to describe how something is moving?
- What are some things that can make objects move?
- What are some things you can move, and what are some things you can't move? What makes them different?
- How do different living things move?



## Home Learning

- Look around your house and see what moves
- Try moving your body in different ways. How many giant steps does it take to get to the door? How many tiny tip toe steps?
- Encourage your child to compare sizes of common household items. Use words like: taller, shorter, longer. For example, put the family shoes in order by size.



## Suggested Home Extensions

- Take a movement walk outside. What moves? Why is it moving?
- Take different types of transportation with your child around town.



## Key Vocabulary

pull  
push  
Light  
heavy

short  
tall  
roll  
spin

slide  
bounce  
flow  
rotate

motion  
gravity  
measure  
movement



**Super Unit Launch:** Picture walk of movement concepts, Week of April 2, 2018

**Field trips:** Movement on Campus walks, Fire Station

**Guest speakers:**

- Alison from Yoga Joy Saigon
- Maintenance staff

**Super Unit Celebration:**  
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