

## **Tween Room:**

Children's Workshop offers a very unique Tween program for children who are ages 2 ½ to young 3, who may be beyond the toddler class, but not quite ready for the Preschool 3s class. This program meets Monday, Wednesday and Friday from 12:30-3pm. This program is best suited for children who no longer take afternoon naps. If your child does nap, Children's Workshop offers a morning Toddler program that may be a better fit.

The Tween Class is made up of 12 students, led by a lead teacher and an assistant. Our special program promotes a happy, fun, loving and positive atmosphere for the children. Children's Workshop focuses on learning through play with age appropriate, organized activities. The Tween Program is conducted in three different classrooms, each with a different theme. They consist of: the welcome room, the dramatic play room, and the art room. This set up allows the children to cycle through different atmospheres and explore different types of play throughout the day. A different theme is explored each week through art, music, finger plays, stories and movement. Daily circle time allows the children to interact in a more structured environment, as they learn to take turns speaking and follow instructions. Our activities also concentrate on teaching sharing skills, speaking skills, pitching in and lending a hand, and manners.

The busy day ends with a snack, teaching the children to use manners, cleanliness and respect for those around them. Then the children head out to the playground, weather permitting (above 50 degrees and dry), which is specifically designed for and used by the tween class only. This daily outdoor play enhances large motor skills and is a great way to burn energy before they head home.

By the end of the school year, your child will have made great strides in learning to separate from their parents, being kind to their peers, listening and following instructions, using manners, expressing themselves with words, and perhaps most importantly, learning to love school!