

# **The Early Years Learning Framework**



Belonging, Being & Becoming

Unit: Gym Moves

**Time Allocation**: 5 Weeks (5 x 40min lesson)

**Principal Focus**: To extend and enrich children's learning by providing opportunities that encourage participation, engagement and creativity. Specific emphasis is given to play-based learning within an environment that promotes confident and active individuals.

**Program Overview:** Children explore different ways the body can move, while engaging in skills associated with movement activities. This will be achieved through movement exploration involving locomotor and non-locomotor skills, leading to acquisition of some specific gymnastic skills. Children learn to discover what their bodies can do, the space within which their bodies can move and the environment with which such movements take place.

# **Outcomes Covered:**

### Children have a strong sense of identity

Children feel safe, secure, and supported

Children develop their emerging autonomy, interdependence, resilience and sense of agency

Children develop knowledgeable and confident selfidentities

Children learn to interact in relation to others with care, empathy and respect

## Children have a strong sense of wellbeing

Children become strong in their social and emotional wellbeing

Children take increasing responsibility for their own health and physical wellbeing

#### Children are confident and involved learners

Children develop dispositions for learning such as curiosity, cooperation, confidence, creativity, commitment, enthusiasm, persistence, imagination and reflexivity

# **Indicators:**

- Establish and maintain respectful, trusting relationships with other children and educators
- Confidently explore and engage with social and physical environments through relationship and play
- Initiate and join in play
- Be open to new challenges and discoveries
- Approach new safe situations with confidence
- Persist when faced with challenges and when first attempts are not successful
- Feel recognised and respected for who they are
- Celebrate and share their contributions and achievements with others
- Show interest in other children and being part of a group
- Engage in and contribute to shared play experiences
- Demonstrate trust and confidence
- Increasingly co-operate and work collaboratively with others
- Recognise their individual achievement
- Engages in increasingly complex sensory motor skills and movement patterns
- Combine gross and fine motor movement and balance to achieve increasingly complex patterns of activity including dance, creative movement and drama
- Demonstrate spatial awareness and orient themselves, moving around and through their environments confidently and safely
- Show enthusiasm for participating in physical play and negotiate play spaces to ensure the safety and wellbeing of themselves and others
- Initiate and contribute to play experiences emerging from their own ideas
- Persevere and experience the satisfaction of achievement
- Persist even when they find a task difficult

Children develop a range of skills and processes such as problem solving, inquiry, experimentation, hypothesizing and investigating

Children transfer and adapt what they have learnt from one context to another

Children resource their own learning through connecting with people, place technologies and natural and processed materials

# Children are effective communicators

Children interact verbally and non-verbally with others for a range of purposes

Children begin to understand how symbols and pattern systems work

- Explore their environment
- Use reflective thinking to consider why things happen and what can be learnt from these experiences
- Develop an ability to mirror, repeat and practice the actions of others, either immediately or later
- Use the process of play, reflection and investigation to solve problems
- Transfer knowledge from one setting to another
- Explore ideas and theories using imagination, creativity and play
- Engage in enjoyable interactions using verbal and non-verbal language
- Begin to be aware of the relationships between oral, written and visual representations
- Draw on their experiences in constructing meaning using symbols

# **Program Overview**

Week 1	Game – The Colour Game (see appendix for details)	10min
	Warm – up (Gymnastics specific stretch to song #1)	10min
	Shape – Pencil	5min
	Floor Activity – Giraffe Walking	5min
	Circuit	20min
	Beam – Crawl	
	Stepping Stones Wedge – Pencil Roll	
	Hoops – Pencil Jumps	
Week 2	Game – Simon Says (see appendix for details)	10min
	Warm – up (Gymnastics specific stretch to song #1)	5min
	Shape – Tuck	5min
	Floor Activity – Bunny Hops	5min
	Circuit	20min
	Beam – Pencil Walking	
	Bars – Hang Wedge – Egg Roll	
	Mini Boxes – Bunny Hops	
Week 3	Game – Follow the Leader (ribbons) (see appendix for details)	10min
	Warm – up (Gymnastics specific stretch to song #1)	5min
	Shape – Motorbike	5min
	Floor Activity – Bear Walks	5min
	Circuit	20min
	Beam – Bunny Hops	
	Bars – Tuck Hang Ladder – Bear Walks	
	Mini Tramp – Jump (Focus on landing motorbike)	

Week 4	Game – Here There & Everywhere (see appendix for details)	10min
	Warm – up (Gymnastics specific stretch to song #2)	10min
	Shape – Scale	5min
	Floor – Crab Walking	5min
	<u>Circuit</u>	20min
	Beam – Giraffe Bars – Monkeys Stepping Stones	
	Mini Tramp – Jump (Focus on landing motorbike)	
Week 5	Game – Freeze! (see appendix for details)	10min
	Warm – up (Gymnastics specific stretch to song #2)	5min
	Shape – Star	5min
	Floor Activity – Elephant	5min
	<u>Circuit</u>	20min
	Beam – Scale Bars – Tuck Monkeys Mini Boxes – Star Jump Over Tramp – Star Jump	