## In the Playdough Center

## Children learn to ...

- Use their senses to gain information about the environment
- Compare and contrast textures
- Use vocabulary to designate quantities such as: more than; less than; equal to; and, as many as
- Demonstrate concepts of part and whole with manipulative materials
- □ Acquire fundamental movement skills
- Develop fine motor skills like pincher control
- Develop perceptual awareness skills such as coordination
- □ Discover properties of matter
- □ Express self creatively
- Discover cause and effect, model, interaction of materials, and change
- □ Use tools to help
- □ Combine objects
- □ Compare similarities and differences
- □ Use vocabulary such as hard/soft, fat/thin, long/short, and in/out
- □ Work cooperatively
- □ Share materials
- Make choices
- □ Make decisions