

MILESTONES: Here is what you can expect your child to be doing from birth to age three. If you have any concerns or questions about your baby's development, call us to schedule a developmental assessment.

Three months:

- Turn their heads toward bright colors and lights
- Move both eyes in the same direction together
- Recognize bottle or breast
- Respond to their parents' voice
- Make cooing sounds
- Bring their hands together
- Wiggle and kick with arms and legs
- Lift head when on stomach
- Become quiet in response to sound, especially speech
- Smile

Six months:

- Follow moving objects with their eyes
- Turn toward the source of normal sound
- Reach for objects and pick them up
- Switch toys from one hand to the other
- Play with their toes
- Help hold the bottle or place hands on breast during feeding
- Recognize familiar faces
- Imitate speech sounds
- Respond to soft sounds, especially talking
- Roll over

Twelve months:

- Get to a sitting position
- Pull to a standing position
- Stand briefly without support
- Crawl
- Imitate adults using a cup or telephone
- Play peek-a-boo and patty cake
- Wave bye-bye
- Put objects in a container
- Say at least one word
- Make "ma-ma" or "da-da" sounds

Eighteen months:

- Like to push and pull objects
- Say at least six words
- Follow simple directions ("Bring the ball")
- Pull off shoes, socks and mittens
- Can point to a picture that you name in a book
- Feed themselves
- Make marks on paper with crayons
- Walk without help
- Walk backwards
- Point, make sounds, or try to use words to ask for things
- Say "no," shake their head, or push away things they don't want

Two-Three years:

- Use two-to-three word sentences
- Say about 50 words
- Recognize familiar pictures
- Kick a ball forward
- Feed themselves with a spoon
- Demand a lot of your attention
- Turn two or three pages of a book together
- Like to imitate
- Identify hair, eyes, ears, and nose by pointing
- Build a tower of four blocks
- Show affection