

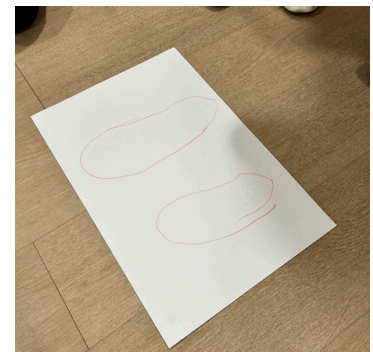
STEP BY STEP:

Our Big and Small Adventure with Mrs. Trish

In our energetic Fishies classroom, today's learning adventure takes a surprising twist as we jump into the concept of "big" and "small" by tracing the children's shoes—and even the assistant director's shoes! Armed with crayons, paper, and endless curiosity, the children are ready to explore the differences in size and measurement.

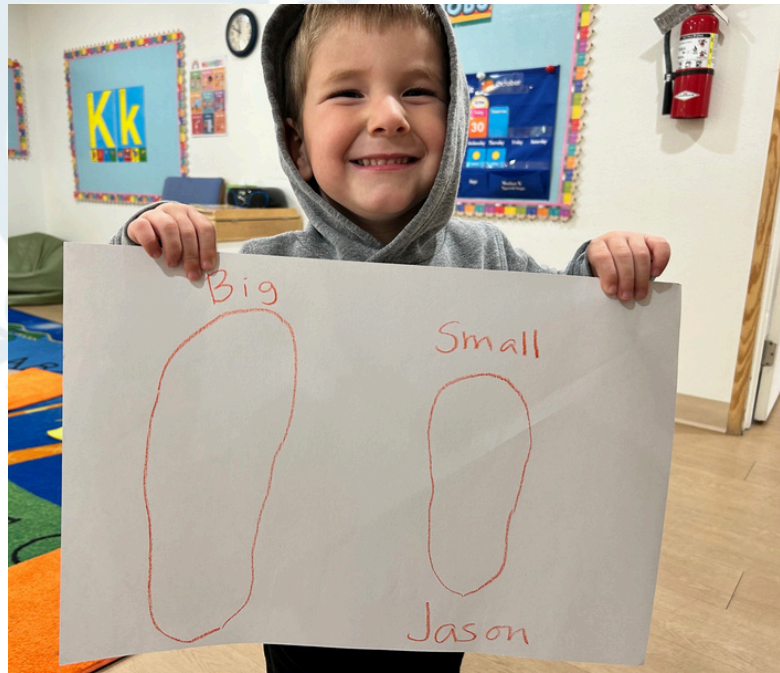


The assistant director, who the kids adore, steps into the activity, offering her own shoe as a tracing subject. Her shoes are noticeably bigger than the children's, sparking wide-eyed wonder and whispers of "That's big!" "Whether your feet are big or small doesn't matter because God made you special just the way you are," explains Mrs. Evie. Here, the children are introduced to the Christian value of individuality, learning that each of us, big or small, is special in our own way.



As each child's shoe is traced next to Mrs. Trish's shoe, Mrs. Evie asks the children to compare their shoe outlines identifying which is big and which is small. The kids marvel at the difference, giggling at how their shoes look so tiny next to the assistant director's outline. In this moment, they're building comparison and measurement skills, early foundations of math, as they learn to recognize and describe different sizes.

For some children, the assistant director's shoe can feel enormous. The teacher can use this moment to reinforce the value of growth and patience by saying, "Right now, your shoes are small, but as you grow, God will help you fill shoes just as big." It's a reminder that learning, growth, and our unique journeys all happen in God's time.



Bringing It All Together

By the end of the activity, the children have a colorful display of shoe tracings to admire, each one a testament to their growing understanding of size, measurement, and the beautiful differences that make us who we are. Through laughter and curiosity, they've experienced the joy of comparing, creating, and sharing—stepping forward together in both learning and love.