

Daddy, why is the sky blue?!

TIPS FOR PARENTS!

Nurture your child's love for learning and sense of wonder for the world around them by:

Showing curiosity in everyday life: Do everyday activities like making ice cubes and hanging clothes out to dry with your child. Observe what happens together and express your own wonderments out loud, e.g., "I wonder why..."



Sharing what you notice: When you're out with your child, talk about what you see, hear or smell. For example, "I hear a beeping sound. Where do you think it's coming from?"



Encouraging your child to observe and ask questions: Encourage them to use their different senses to observe. Ask "What do you see, hear, smell...?" Value their questions and find answers together using books, videos, or visits to places.



Encouraging exploration and making new discoveries: Let your child explore, make predictions and discover on their own how things work. Help them connect their new discoveries to what they already know. You could say, "Remember when you saw...? Do you think this will also...? How is this the same or different from..."



Showing care and respect for the world: As your child interacts with people, places and things around them, help him/her be aware of his/her impact on the world and others.



Daddy, why is the sky blue? How do birds fly? Why can't we fly?



What does this sign mean? Why can't we feed the fish?



Why does she have so many questions?



DID YOU KNOW?

Children are naturally curious and learn by using their senses to explore the world around them.

It is important to sustain children's natural curiosity and excitement to find out why things happen and how things work. This nurtures the joy of learning and helps them become self-motivated lifelong learners.

When children are encouraged to make sense of the world around them through observation and exploration, they develop important skills that help them think critically, reason, problem solve and make connections across their learning.