**FEBRUARY TODDLER ACTIVITIES**

**Fizzy hearts:** (or any other shapes you have!). Pack baking soda into heart shaped cookie cutters or silicone molds. For extra fun, sprinkle glitter, confetti or drip liquid watercolor on top. Have your child use a dropper or small spoon to add vinegar and create a chemical reaction!

**Tub painting:** Mix shaving cream and a drop of food color in a bowl (we use a 6-opening muffin tin) and let children paint the bathtub and shower during bath time. It's a great, creative activity that is simple to clean up. (Do this activity with older toddlers who can be trusted not to taste the shaving cream! Remind them to keep it away from their eyes. Always supervise children in the tub!)

For younger babies, try mixing cornstarch and water until it's a thick but runny consistency. Add liquid water color and let babies paint the walls (and inevitably themselves!)

**STEM Exploration Tray:** Set out a tray with kid-friendly materials (cotton balls, popsicle sticks, blocks, cups, really anything!) and let your child explore building. Some ideas for February could be: Valentine's Day- use objects that are red, heart-shaped, etc. Dollar Tree is a great place to find low-cost things to add to your tray! You'd be surprised how creative kids can get with these trays! Add another level of play by including play dough for your older toddler child (always supervise!) to use with the objects!