

ENVIRONMENTS:

Key Aesthetic Considerations:

(www.educate.ece.govt.nz)

- Color: needs to create mood and define spaces. Use primary colors sparingly- too many bright colors may make children distracted and agitated.



- Light: Use natural lighting whenever possible.

- Sensory: Provide experiences and materials that are sensory rich.



- Mood: A well-organized, homelike environment and routine encourages good behavior and positive interaction. Altering space to make children feel large in relation to their environment may enable children to enter complex play more quickly and to continue complex play for longer periods of time. (Pre-K Spaces by Community Playthings)



- It is important that teachers of young children model an appreciation of beauty and aesthetics.

- Encourage children to marvel at beautiful and special things.



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