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**Monthly Themes to Extend Concept Development**

**September**
- **Emotions and Feelings:** self acceptance, happiness, sadness, laughter
- **Friendship:** friends at school, sharing
- **Colors:** primary and secondary colors
- **Wild and Domestic Animals:** bears, mice, cats, giraffes, sheep, cows, snakes
- **Seasons and Weather:** rain

**October**
- **My Body:** body parts
- **Shapes:** two- and three-dimensional shapes
- **Living and Growing:** pumpkins, healthy foods
- **Wild and Domestic Animals:** cats
- **Insects and Spiders:** spiders

**November**
- **Celebrations and Events:** Thanksgiving
- **Numbers and Counting**
- **Family**
- **Living and Growing:** exercise, healthy foods
- **Wild and Domestic Animals:** ocean animals, dolphins, fish, sharks, manatees, octopuses
- **Transportation:** cars, trucks, boats, planes, trains, buses
- **Seasons and Weather:** fall

**December**
- **Celebrations and Events:** Christmas, Hanukah, Kwanza
- **Emotions and Feelings:** silliness, happiness
- **Safety**
- **Community Helpers:** police, firefighters, park rangers
- **Wild and Domestic Animals:** woodland animals, bears, rabbits, squirrels, deer, fox, mice
January
**Friendship:** teamwork, sharing
**My Body:** five senses
**Wild and Domestic Animals:** desert animals, skunks, mice, squirrels, rabbits, raccoons, snakes, beavers
**Insects:** ants
**Seasons and Weather:** winter, snow

February
**Celebrations and Events:** Valentine’s Day
**My Body:** dental health
**Colors:** primary and secondary colors
**Multiculturalism**
**Wild and Domestic Animals:** pets, dogs, bears, chimpanzees, lions, sharks, hippopotamuses

March
**Living and Growing:** lifecycle of a butterfly, healthy foods
**Wild and Domestic Animals:** farm animals, jungle animals, tigers, monkeys, sea turtles, fish, frogs, snakes
**Community Helpers:** doctors, veterinarians, rescue teams
**Seasons and Weather:** spring

April
**Living and Growing:** gardens, flowers, watermelons
**Wild and Domestic Animals:** zoo animals, elephants, giraffes, leopards, lions, bears, seals, hippopotamuses, cats, birds, whales, pond animals, frogs, fish, turtles, snakes

May
**Family**
**Living and Growing:** lifecycle of a frog
**Wild and Domestic Animals:** zoo animals, kangaroos, penguins, foxes, walruses, fish, frogs, whales, artic animals

June
**Friendship:** playing together
**Pollution and Recycling**
**Wild and Domestic Animals:** octopuses, kangaroos, birds, bears, tigers, sharks, alligators, caterpillars
**Seasons and Weather:** summer
**July**

**Celebrations and Events:** Fourth of July

**My Body:** five senses

**Endangered Animals:** panda bears, bald eagles, spider monkeys, green sea turtles, sea lions, macaroni penguins

**Dinosaurs**

**August**

**Friendship:** manners

**Colors:** primary and secondary colors

**Wild and Domestic Animals:** ducks, bears, rabbits, chickens

**Insects:** bees, beetles