

The Pre-Kindergarten Classroom

Goals and Expectations

Goals:

Energetic and imaginative best describe the pre-kindergartener. Often impatient and silly, they discover humor and spend a great deal of time being silly and telling you jokes. A pre-kindergartener feels good about the things they can do, they show self-confidence, and are willing to try new adventures. They race up and down stairs or around corners, dash on tricycles and pull wagons.

Through the energetic and imaginative pre-kindergarten mind we use that creativity to help develop their social and academic skills.

Expectations:

1. Social
 - a. Sharing
 - b. Friendships
 - c. Listening
 - d. Emotions
2. Academic
 - a. Spatial recognition, placing objects from smallest to largest
 - b. Letter recognition, letter writing, and phonic sounds, which will lead to very basic word families by the end of the year, a goal would be to read simple books without help.
 - c. Speaking in complete sentences
 - d. Learns the concepts of who, what, when, where, why
 - e. Learns to recognize name and classmates name, learns to write own name
 - f. Learns to repeat address and phone number
 - g. Opposites such as tallest/shortest, biggest/smallest, same/different, more/less, on/off, in/out, under/over, above/below
 - h. Recognition of 1-50, able to write numbers
 - i. Counting 1-100
 - j. Stacking blocks or other objects
 - k. Recognition of Daily Routines
 - l. Recognition of Colors and shapes
 - m. Physical development such as: walking straight line, hopping on one foot, pedaling, jumping, throwing, kicking, catching, somersaults

Art:

Children use a variety of mediums to create unique masterpieces. Each grade learns a variety of techniques appropriate for their age to enable the child to express themselves through art. Pre-K will learn:

Basic cutting skills, Colors, Shapes, Basic drawing skills and use of paint and watercolors

Spanish:

In all of our classes we want to create an atmosphere of learning and understanding basic Spanish to be built upon as the years go on. We desire to see the children enjoy learning about another culture and adding to their education during the early years and be prepared for advancing in that language, if they desire, in Jr. High and High School. We will have workbooks, flash cards, songs, puppets, coloring and games as we journey along in this learning adventure.

Pre-K - The goal and outcome for Pre-K Spanish is to teach them simple greetings, numbers 1-10 & colors, along with a few simple words. Simple scripture: ie God is love (Dios es amor). I will use Step 1 in our basic Spanish curriculum.

Daily Schedule

9:00-9:15	Tracing, blocks, TV – music time or Superwhy Alpha. Show)
9:15-10:00	Circle time (calendar)
10:00-10:20	Seat work-Letter of the week, discussion time
10:20-10:30	Snack time
10:30-11:00	Activity time (large motor room or outside)
11:00-11:30	Seat work-Math, Science, Social Studies
11:30-12:00	Art, Music, Bible, Computer, Gym
12:00-12:15	Clean up to go home or go to lunch
12:15-1:00	Lunch and play time
1:00-1:30	rest time
1:30-2:00	Large motor time outside or Activity room
2:00-2:30	Seat work-special project time
2:30-2:35	rest room/wash hands
2:35-3:00	Snack
3:00-3:15	read, clean up, go home

Schedule subject to change

Afternoon class themes are as follows:

September

Welcome to school-New Friends, Apples-Granny Smith and the seasons of her apple tree, Leaves-Nature Colors: Yellow & Red

October

Spiders, Bats, Pumpkins, Colors: Black & Orange

November

Turkeys, Thanksgiving, How animals get ready for winter, Color: Brown

December

Christmas around the World, Angels, Christmas trees, Colors: Red & Green

January

Dinosaurs, Snow and ice, Birds, Winter Animals, Seasons, Nutrition, Color: White

February

Groundhog's Day, Presidents and the Nation, Valentine's Day, Penguins, Color: Red & White

March

Ants, Farm and farm animals, My Family Map, Color: Green

April

The Five Senses, April Showers Bring May Flowers, Seeds, Colors: Pink & Grey

May

Bubbles, Caterpillar to Butterfly, Ocean and ocean animals, Colors: Green & Purple

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