

Kindergarten Overview

	First Semester	Second Semester
Language Arts / Social Studies	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Uppercase letters A–I • Letter sounds and shapes • Stories, poetry, and songs • Uppercase letters J–R • Letter sounds and shapes 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Stories, poetry, and songs • Family history • Uppercase letters S–Z • Letter sounds and shapes • Emotions • Local community
Science	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Nature through the five senses • Falling leaves and special trees • Animals: similarities and differences • Plant growth: seeds and sprouts • Weather: seasonal changes 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Stars and constellations • Animal behavior • Pet/animal care • Plant growth • Weather: seasonal activities
Math	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Numbers 1–6 • Geometric shapes • Pattern recognition • Opposites • Comparing quantities 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Numbers 7–10 • Sorting and grouping • Sequencing and counting • Geometric shapes • Comparisons and patterns
Arts and Crafts	Throughout the year, students engage in a multitude of art and craft activities including crayon drawing, watercolor painting, sewing, baking, nature crafts, collage, crafts from recycled materials, carpentry, model building, and working with clay.	
Music and Movement	Over the course of the year, students participate in activities that help develop musical ability, bilateral awareness, rhythm, hand-eye coordination, and dexterity. Sample activities include making and playing homemade musical instruments, reciting poetry, singing and finger plays, dancing, and playing catch and other kinesthetic games.	
Health	The book <i>Healthy Living from the Start</i> provides the basis for a year-long health course. Families explore topics relevant to their child's growth and development including nutrition, the growing body, hygiene, community, emotions, and safety.	