

Full and Half Day Kindergarten



"Our Kindergarten mission is to teach children about Jesus and spread the love of God in a Christ-filled environment. We provide opportunities for hands-on learning while also incorporating science, technology, reading, the arts, and math. We help families nurture their children to grow spiritually, intellectually, and serve the Lord joyfully." Mrs. Scheer & Mrs. Nauta

RELIGION

- ◆ The kindergarteners learn that Jesus loves them and is their friend
- ◆ Christian values are applied to every part of the school day
- ◆ Some examples of Bible stories studied are: Creation, Adam and Eve, Jesus is Born, and The Lord's Prayer

SPECIAL CELEBRATIONS

- ◆ Fall Party and Thanksgiving Feast
- ◆ Christmas Service and 100th Day of School
- ◆ Track and Field Day
- ◆ Tail Waggin' Readers

ART

The students explore and express their creativity with art projects, and fine motor activities. A variety of media are used to enhance learning and art expression.

TECHNOLOGY

Learning.com is a web-based curriculum. Students are given the opportunity to learn and develop digital literacy skills. From keyboarding and word processing to critical literacy skills. Students also explore other academic websites.

MATH

All new concepts are developed through hands-on activities, actively engaging students in the learning process. The **Saxon Math** series builds on prior knowledge of each student. Concepts studied and reviewed throughout the year include:

- ◆ Sorting and patterning
- ◆ Telling time
- ◆ Addition and Subtraction
- ◆ Money

SOCIAL STUDIES

The students gain knowledge about the world around them through the **TCI: Me and My World curriculum**. Units studied include:

- ◆ Families
- ◆ Neighborhoods
- ◆ Friends
- ◆ The World
- ◆ Needs/Wants
- ◆ Problem Solving

SCIENCE

Students are energized through an exciting blend of print, digital and inquiry experiences. Investigation and STEM Quest Labs are explored in the **Savvas Curriculum**.

READING AND PHONICS

Our students build the foundational skills for reading and phonics through the **Heinemann Units of Study** curriculum. Skills focused on include:

- ◆ Letter sounds
- ◆ Reading at student's specific reading level
- ◆ Book discussions
- ◆ Individual and partner reading
- ◆ Recognizing snap words
- ◆ Using picture clues

HANDWRITING

Handwriting skills are practiced daily with journaling, writing letters, and throughout the Kindergarten day. The **Zaner-Bloser** handwriting curriculum is integrated in all of the subject areas.

WRITING

Students learn in the **Writer's Workshop** how to craft, create, build, fix and repair their own writing. The writing process consists of a mini-lesson, writing time, and the author's chair. The **Smekens Education** writing curriculum provides instruction for all levels of writers.

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