

Kindergarten

Curriculum



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Language Arts: Superkids Kindergarten Reading Program focuses on the 26 letters of the alphabet. Students systematically learn to read and write letters, to associate letters with sounds, to blend letter-sounds to form words and sentences, and to read and write phonetically regular words as well as Memory Words. Kindergarten is split into two levels or semesters: *Meet the Superkids* and *Superkids Club*.

Language Arts Enrichment: Sight word rings (read daily), class books, project-based center activities, birthday book writing and illustrating, holiday writing, Little Books, *My Weekend* expressive writing with inventive spelling, multi-cultural student interest surveys, weekly vocabulary words, Royal Readers, class books, Author Visits, Nix Library walking field trips, 3rd Grade Bear Buddy Reading Groups, Library, Book Fair, and Book Day.

Technology: Computer Lab with Superkids interactive books and games reinforcing concepts learned in class, and Star 360 Assessment, and Math Skill Reinforcement.

Responsive Classroom Morning Circle: Morning question, prayer, greet, share, daily schedule, sing, and morning written message.

Math: Welcome to Go Math, Kindergarten! In this exciting mathematics program, there are hands-on activities to do and real-world problems to solve.

- 1 **Number and Operations:** Represent, Count, and Write Numbers 0 – 5.
- 2 Compare Numbers to 5.
- 3 Represent, Count, and Write Numbers 6 – 9.
- 4 Represent and Compare Numbers to 10.
- 5 Addition.
- 6 Subtraction.
- 7 Represent, Count, and Write 11-19.
- 8 Represent, Count, and Write 20 and Beyond.
- 9 **Geometry and Position:** Identify and Describe Two-Dimensional Shapes.
- 10 Identify and Describe Three-Dimensional Shapes.
- 11 **Measurement and Data:** Measurement.
- 12 Classify and Sort Data.

Math Enrichment: Calendar, center activities, read-alouds, optical shape and pattern illusions, 100th Day Celebration, money, time, and holiday number activities. Bear Mania and Bear Day sorting, graphing, and comparison activities.

Science: T.C.I. Science Alive Kindergarten Program guides young learners to observe ways that plants and animals, including humans, impact their environments. Students investigate how forces affect the way objects move, and how weather changes over time in recognizable patterns.

- 1 Plants and Animals
- 2 Pushes and Pulls
- 3 Weather

Centers: Housekeeping with play kitchen and imaginative dress up, building with blocks and Legos, book nook, handwriting and coloring table, painting easel, play dough station, Science room, thematic sensory table, puzzles, loft, guinea pig, math station, manipulative bins, puppet show, multi-cultural surveys, and write words around the room.

Field Trips: Pumpkin Patch, Breakfast at Brennan's, Jean Lafitte National Park, and Nix Library.

Social Studies:

1. Develop a sense of community in the classroom, school, city, and state.
2. Celebrate holidays in the United States and world.
3. Introduction to concepts of symbols.
4. Prepare a Mardi Gras program that highlights one country.
5. Investigate simple maps and globes.
6. Work cooperatively in small, project-based groups.
7. Share, care, and cooperate in development of respect for self and others.
8. Develop responsibility as classroom helpers and learn about community workers. Parent and family members are welcome and encouraged to visit and share their occupation.

9. All About Me: 1. First, middle, and last name 2. Address 3. Birthday 4. Tie shoelaces 5. Right and left. 6. Telephone number 7. Height and weight documented on the first and last day of Kindergarten 8. Safety 9. Family 10. Hopes and Dreams 11. I am Good at...! 12. Our bodies are traced, painted, and stuffed.

10. Show and Tell: Students develop public speaking skills and poise as they learn to be both speaker and audience member through interactive sharing.

St. Andrew's Virtues:

August: Respect

September: Honesty

October: Service

November: Gratitude

December: Faith

January: Personal Integrity

February: Social Responsibility

March: Diversity

April: Nurture

May: Kindness

Enrichment Classes:

1. Art
2. Chapel
3. Library
4. Music
5. Physical Education (daily)
6. Spanish

How the Kinderbears Help Their School: Read books to the Pre-K and Tadpoles!

Kindergarten Traditions and Plays:

1. *What is a Huggles?* Kinderbears make their own Huggles.
2. Halloween: *In the Dark, Dark Box*, Costumes, and class party
3. Thanksgiving Play: Kinderbears dress up as the Pilgrims and Pre-K are our Native Americans.
4. Gingerbread Houses and Dads and Teddy Bear Christmas Book Exchange with Pre-K
5. Bear Mania Week and Bear Day
6. Kindergarten Mardi Gras Parade on Cardinal Field
7. Easter Egg Hunt at the Chalstrom House
8. Ice Cream Party and Alliterations end-of-the-year program
9. Grandparent's Day
10. Lessons and Carols
11. Episcopal School Sunday