

Language Arts

In Kindergarten we are laying the foundation for literacy and workshop learning. In Reader's Workshop this means exposure to a print rich environment and a wide variety of literature books of all genres, poetry, chants, and songs. These will be explored through read-alouds, phonemic awareness, shared reading and independent reading. In Writer's Workshop children are exposed to print and the process of writing through shared writing, modeled writing, interactive writing, storytelling, sketching and drawing, independent writing, and small group instruction.

By the end of the year children will...

- know the parts of a book and their functions.
- begin to track print when listening to a familiar text being read.
- use new vocabulary in own speech.
 - connect information and events in texts to life experiences.
- retell, reenact, or dramatize stories or parts of stories.
- listen attentively to books the teacher reads to class.

- correctly answer questions about stories read aloud.
- make predictions based on illustrations or portions of stories.
- be able to produce another word that rhymes with it when given a spoken word.
- independently write many uppercase and lowercase letters.
- use phonemic awareness and letter knowledge to spell independently.
- write (unconventionally) to express own meanings.

Math

The Investigations math curriculum will be used to support all students in developing deeper mathematical thinking.

During the year students will...

- explore patterns
- develop number sense
- look at data and graphing
- explore geometry
- compare and measure
- develop an understanding of number relationships

Social Studies

Units of study will include:

- All About Me
- Family
- Friends
- Our School
- Our Neighborhood
- Multicultural Celebrations

These units of study will be explored through all content areas.

- Wood and Paper
- Animals