



Preschool Curriculum

Preschool (8:30-11:30)

Bible Lesson/Chapel – The Christ Light curriculum will be used to help tell the Bible lesson. During this time the children will be singing Bible songs, hearing the Bible lesson, and stating the memory treasure. On Wednesday mornings the children will attend chapel in the church. A handout of each Christ Light lesson will go home with your child weekly. Please read through it with him/her regularly.

Morning Books/Morning Message/Calendar – During this time, the teacher will read appropriate children's books followed by a short morning message taken from Happily Ever After. This part of the morning will conclude with a brief calendar time.

Planning – During this time, children will plan what they will do during their work time (play time). Each child will have a turn to share with the group where he/she will be working and what he/she will be doing during work time. Children will be encouraged to choose no more than three different plans per work time.

Work Time (AKA Play Time) – During work time, the children will have the opportunity to carry out their plans. They do not need to stick with their plans 100%, but are encouraged to work on their initial plan(s) before changing their plans and moving to another area. Work time will conclude with clean-up.

Recall – During recall, the children will be allowed to tell the group what they did during work time.

Art will occur on Monday and Tuesday. Children will be using different forms of art media throughout the school year. Some art projects may be incorporated with the Bible story; others may be incorporated with seasons and calendar days. During our art time we will work on fine motor skills such as cutting, coloring, gluing, etc. Art time will end with clean-up.

Math will occur on Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday. For math activities, we will be using the High Scope Numbers Plus curriculum. It covers five different units: algebra, data analysis, geometry, number sense and operations, and measurement.

Science and Social Studies will occur on Thursday and Friday. For our science and social studies activities we will be using My Big World with Clifford. My Big World with Clifford is a Scholastic preschool classroom magazine. It covers a variety of topics such as apples, fire safety, winter animals, weather and more. We will also use New Path Learning Early Childhood Science flip charts to supplement, when applicable.

Happily Ever After – Happily Ever After is a literacy rich program which is focused on reading readiness particularly in pre-kindergarten children. Children will be able to work through various stories and corresponding activities which will aide in the developing of literacy skills. The alphabet will also be covered during this part of the day.

Movement – The SPARK physical education curriculum, for 3-5 year olds, will be used during movement time. Movement is important in preschool because it gives the

children the opportunity to use their physical energy constructively. Movement time will mainly focus on large muscle movements.

Music –The music curriculum comes from the Sing and Make Music series published by Northwestern Publishing House. During this time, the children will be singing religious and secular songs as well as hear about important elements of music. We will also take time to listen to and reflect on musical selections from the Brummitt-Taylor Music Listening Program during snack time.