# PRE-KINDERGARTEN



Pre-K is an excellent time to take advantage of the curious and inquisitive nature of little learners. This year they will become letter recognition experts and develop a strong number sense. They will interact with great stories and understand the Bible as one big story of love and salvation. Students learn through socialization and play, stopping all along the way to inspect, interact, and explore.

## Subjects We Study ~~~~~

#### **PHONICS**

- All About Reading: Pre-Reading
- Recognize capital/ lowercase letters
- Learn letter sounds

#### HANDWRITING

- Get Set for School: Handwriting Without Tears
- Learn correct crayon/ pencil grip

- Begin to sound out short words
- Begin to learn sight words
- Trace and write capital and lowercase
- Participate in drawing lessons

### Unit Learning

- Listen to stories and gain meaning from them
- Answer questions about stories
- Learn about creation

 Practice skills like rhyming, sequencing events, characterization, and retelling

#### RHETORIC

- Memorize many classic poems/ nursery rhymes/ Scripture
- Begin to understand some literary devices, such as similes and onomatopoeia

### Матн

- Engage New York (Singapore Math based)
- Recognize and write numbers to 20
- Develop a strong, foundational number sense
- Solve story problems moving from concrete (hands-on) understanding to abstract (numeric) representation
- Understand how a calendar is used

## FINE ARTS, PLAY & PE

- Weekly music and art classes (twice a week)
- Enjoy centers multiple times daily for social development
- Daily recess to develop fine motor skills and maintain health

## History Cycle ~~~~

OLD AND NEW TESTAMENT BIBLE STORIES

Bible Emphasis ~~~~

THE BIG PICTURE STORY BIBLE

EXAMPLES OF

# **BOOKS WE READ**

The Gingerbread Boy
The Three Little Pigs
The Three Billy Goats Gruff
A House is a House for Me
by Mary Ann Hoberman

Harold and the Purple Crayon by Crockett Johnson

Caps for Sale
by Esphyr Slobodkina

EXAMPLES OF

## PIECES WE RECITE

"Mary had a Little Lamb"

"Picture Books in Winter"
by Robert Louis Stephenson

"The Lamb"
by William Blake
Passages of Scripture

# Class Traditions to Look Forward to

### CHARLOTTE'S WEB CELEBRATION

After we read the book, we celebrate by watching the movie and enjoying special treats.

### TOM TURKEY DAY

Each fall, parents work with their students to disguise a paper turkey in order to help him avoid becoming Thanksgiving dinner! After students present their turkeys to the class, they go on display in the hallway.

### YEAR-END FUN DAYS

During the last week of school, we have special days, like Bike Day and Field Day, to celebrate the completion of the school year.

Mrs. Carson enjoys creative crafting, and she loves reinforcing her students' learning with lots of fun, hands-on projects throughout the year. There's so much to see, learn, and create in Pre-K at Augustine School!