

St. Matthew Catholic School

Pre-Kinder
Curriculum
Overview



Pre-Kinder Overview

Curriculum: Areas of Focus

- Hands-on activities
- Development of sensory perception
- Fine and gross motor skills development
- Listening and language skills
- Readiness for reading and math
- Self-confidence and social adjustment
- iPad opportunities

Goals

- Master area of focus
- Preparation for
St. Matthew Catholic
School kinder program



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Social and Emotional Development

The emotional well-being of children is paramount to ensure that children reach their overall potential.



Overall Goals:

- Create positive relationships with other people.
- Learn to form and value friendships.
- Understand personal feelings, the people in their lives, and the environment in which we live.



Pre-Kinder Religion

Curriculum: Areas of Focus

- Learn the sign of the cross
- Practice and memorize daily prayers
- Create a Bible journal
- Listen to and experience scriptural stories
- Develop an understanding of Church
- Understand God as Father, Son and Spirit
- Sacrament of baptism
 - Share faith with others
- Sense of social justice and the dignity of others

Textbook : *Sadlier*

Weekly Gospel Lesson: *Seeds Magazine*

Opportunities for Spiritual Growth

- Daily student-led scripture readings
- Daily student-led prayers
- Prayer throughout the day
- Weekly student-led mass
- Happy Birthday to Mary
- Feast day celebrations
- Interactive Stations of the Cross
- Service projects

Pre-Kinder Language Arts

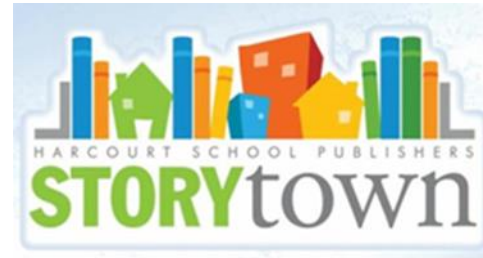
Curriculum: Areas of Focus

- Develop language skills
 - Oral language
 - Comprehension
 - Print awareness activities
- Speak in complete sentences
- Engage in conversation with other students and teachers
- Develop social skills

Zaner-Blosser Handwriting Program



Reading/Language Arts Series



Technology Integration

- Mimio Lessons
- Projector
- Think Central
- iPad apps

Pre-Kinder Mathematics

Text book

- *Harcourt HSP Math*



Learning and Assessment

- Multiple forms of assessment
- Integration Technology
 - iPad apps
 - Mimio
 - Envision Resources

Curriculum: Areas of Focus

- Recognize and reproduce simple patterns
- Be familiar with the days of the week and months of the year
- Recognize numerals
- Count concrete objects using one-to-one correspondence
- Understand the concept of zero
- Compare groups using mathematical terms
- Use positional terms
- Recognize, describe and name shapes
- Classify and sort into groups by an attribute
- Make size comparisons between objects
- Use tools to imitate measurement

Pre-Kinder Science

Curriculum: Areas of Focus

- Encourage curiosity and sense of wonder
- Conduct observations
- Ask questions
- Investigate
- Interpret the wonders of the world around them

Text:

*Scholastic
Weekly Reader*

Application

- Exploration
- Observation
- Investigation
- Appreciation and respect for the interconnectedness of the universe
- Become responsible citizens of the Earth

