



September Curriculum Chronicle

(Pre-Preschool, Early Learners, Preschool)

Themes

I Am Special
Where We Live

Shapes and Colors



Numbers

1, 2, 3

Letters

Aa, Bb, Cc

Alphabet Words

acorn, alligator,
animals, apricots,
balloons, barn,
basketball, bear,
cactus, cat,
comb, cone

Sign Language



Theme Descriptions

I Am Special: As the school year begins, children will explore how each person in the world is unique and precious. They will learn that their bodies can do many things, such as run, jump, laugh, sing, and even make silly faces! Feelings, friends, and families (including Grandparents Day) will also be touched on.



Where We Live: People homes and animal homes—this theme is all about where people and animals live. Children will learn about different kinds of homes, who builds them, and what makes a home.

Activities for Home

- September is National Literacy Month. Reading to your child every day helps him or her learn and understand new words. Attend story time at your local library or bookstore, sign up for a library card, or purchase a special book this month. Share the love of reading with your child.
- Talk with your child about the special qualities that make him or her unique. Celebrate your child's growing independence and remember to tell your child you are proud of his or her wonderful accomplishments!
- Look at the leaves and trees around your yard or neighborhood. Compare the leaves of different trees. Have the leaves started to change color? How are they the same or different? Look at the branches and the bark of the trees. Talk with your child about the colors and textures you see.
- Take a walk outside to look for signs of fall. How does the fall weather change in the area where you live? Has it begun to get cooler? Are there any leaves to rake in your yard? Do you see any animal homes or places that might make a nice home for an animal?

Look for Books

The best way to learn which books your child enjoys is to read children's books—lots of them! Check out funshineextras.com for Book Lists corresponding to each month's themes. Get to know your local librarians and ask for their recommendations as well.

Our Grandparents: A Global Album

by Maya Ajmera

Circle

by Mac Barnett

Why Am I Me?

by Paige Britt

Do You Want to Be My Friend?

by Eric Carle

Building a House

by Byron Barton

Windows

by Julia Denos

Leaf Man

by Lois Ehlert

My Little Golden Book About Johnny Appleseed

by Lori Haskins Houran

Cooking Together

When cooking with young children, allow them to help in a safe way with mixing, pouring, rolling, mashing, shaking, etc. Use words to describe what you are doing and what you plan to do next. Talk about what you see, smell, feel, hear, and taste.

Apple Crisp

- 4 cups sliced apples
- 1 tsp. cinnamon
- ¼ tsp. nutmeg
- ½ cup water
- ¾ cup sugar
- ½ cup flour
- ½ cup rolled oats
- 1 stick of butter

Place apple slices in a buttered deep dish pie plate. Sprinkle cinnamon and nutmeg over apples and add water. In a separate bowl, mix sugar, flour, rolled oats, and butter until mixture is crumbly. Sprinkle over apples. Bake at 350 degrees until apples are tender, about 35-45 minutes.



Sing Along With Me

Find these songs at www.funshineexpress.com

Exercise

Sung to "Pop! Goes the Weasel"

Shake your (arms) and shake your (legs),
Get up and exercise.
Turn around,
Jump off the ground—
Hey, let's stay healthy!

Repeat with:

- hands/feet
- elbows/knees
- head/hips



Little House

Sung to "I'm a Little Teapot"

I'm a little house, open up my door.
(Open arms wide.)
Count my windows: one, two, three, four!
(Count with fingers.)
My roof keeps the inside warm and dry,
(Form a roof with hands over head.)
And my chimney's on top, way up high!
(Stretch arms high.)



SEPTEMBER

- 2** Labor Day (Closed)
- 16** Picture Day – Infant 1&2
- 17** Picture Day – Tiny Tots & Tots 1
- 18** Picture Day – Pre-Preschool, Preschool 1 & 2
- 19** Picture Day – Pre-K 1 & Pre-K 2
- 20** Picture Day – Kindergarten & Siblings
- 27** Parents Night Out

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