



Oak Brook School
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September 2020 CURRICULUM CHRONICLE

Themes

All About Me
Fasten Up

Shapes and Colors



Numbers

1, 2, 3

Letters

Aa, Bb, Cc

Alphabet Words

accordion, ambulance,
anchor, anteater,
bee, box,
bricks, bulb,
car, cave,
celery, cup

Sign Language



Theme Descriptions

All About Me: We all know that character counts! In this theme, the children will learn how to be people others can count on. Activities in this theme emphasize self-awareness and social responsibility. Children will have the opportunity to experience the goodness that comes from listening to others and helping people!



Fasten Up: As autumn settles in, cool-weather clothing is a must. This theme highlights fine motor development with activities that focus on zipping, snapping, buckling, and buttoning! Whether children are zipping up jackets or learning to tie their shoes, this theme is sure to be *fasten-nating*!

Activities for Home

- Reinforce the color red with some of the foods you eat. Ask your child to help you find red foods at the grocery store and add them to your meals. Try cherries, strawberries, watermelon, apples, red peppers, and tomatoes.
- Stress being a person of good character by reading a story with your child and talking about what good and bad traits the characters possess. Look in newspapers and magazines with your child and find articles about people who have performed good deeds. Talk to your child about historical figures with good character and the contributions they made to our country and the world.
- Encourage your child to dress and undress himself. Spend time showing him how to zip, tie, button, and snap. Then, provide positive reinforcement for your child as he learns to manipulate and manage his own clothing.

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.

From My Window
by Otavio Junior

A Pair of Socks
by Stuart J. Murphy

Saturday
by Oge Mora

The Apple Pie That Papa Baked
by Lauren Thompson

Round
by Joyce Sidman

Naked Mole Rat Gets Dressed
by Mo Willems

Me and My Family Tree
by Joan Sweeney

Autumnblings
by Douglas Florian

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.

No-Bake Cookies

1¾ cups sugar
½ cup cocoa
1 stick margarine
½ cup milk
½ tsp. salt
1 tsp. vanilla
½ cup peanut/other nut butter
3 cups oatmeal

Simmer the first five ingredients together until well blended and smooth. Remove from heat. Add vanilla, peanut butter, and oatmeal. Mix well. Drop by spoonfuls onto wax paper. Let cool before eating.



Sing Along with Me

Find these songs at www.funshineexpress.com

Welcome Friends

Sung to "Pawpaw Patch"

Welcome, welcome, welcome friends!
Welcome, welcome, welcome friends!
Welcome, welcome, welcome friends!
Glad you are here today!

Say hello to my friends now,
Say hello to my friends now,
Say hello to my friends now,
Glad you are here today!

My Fastener

Sung to "Ring Around the Rosie"

I have (a button),
(A button), (a button).
I have (a button),
On my (shirt).

Repeat with:
a zipper...coat
a snap...pants
some Velcro...shoes
fasteners...clothes



Reminders...

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2020-2021 School Calendar											
August 1 - Curriculum Fees Due August 7 - In-Service Day (Closed) August 10 - First Day of School August 14 - Meet the Teacher				January 1 - New Year's Day (Closed) January 1 - Curriculum Fees Due February 12 - Valentine's Day Party				August 1 - Curriculum Fees Due August 7 - In-Service Day (Closed) August 10 - First Day of School August 14 - Meet the Teacher			
September 7 - Labor Day September 14-18 - Fall Photos Monday: Kindergarten & Pre-K 1&2 Tuesday: Pre-Preschool, Preschool 1&2 Wednesday: Early Learners 1&2 Thursday: Tots & Tiny Tots Friday: Infants 1&2, Foot Tech Kids				March 17 - St. Patty's Day Parade March 22-26 - Spring Photos Monday: Kindergarten & Pre-K 1&2 Tuesday: Pre-Preschool, Preschool 1&2 Wednesday: Early Learners 1&2 Thursday: Tots & Tiny Tots Friday: Infants 1&2, Foot Tech Kids				October 14 - Butter Brains Fundraiser One Date October 30 - Parade of Costumes & Class Parties			
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OBS SPIRIT DAYS SEPTEMBER/OCTOBER:

- 9/4 - White Out in honor of Labor Day
- 9/11 - Country Day
- 9/18 - Superhero Day
- 9/25 - Wizard of Oz Day
- 10/2 - Flashback Friday (50's, 60's, 70's, Etc)
- 10/9 - Pink Out
- 10/16 - Crazy Hair Day
- 10/23 - All things Orange
- 10/30 - Costumes or Spooky Socks