



3 YEAR OLD PRESCHOOL CURRICULUM-South Campus

Tuesday and Thursday 8:15 a.m. - 11:15 a.m.

Crosshill Christian's preschool classes are designed to provide developmental readiness in preparation for kindergarten success, enhance spiritual well-being, develop personal-social skills and encourage creativity. A lively, hands-on academic program gives children an enjoyable educational foundation and a desire to learn more. Activities that are easily expanded or simplified help us to meet each child's individual needs and they become successful, challenged learners.

The class is taught using weekly themes with an integrated approach to academic, motor and spiritual development. Mathematical readiness, phonetic and reading readiness, writing readiness, Bible, arts and crafts, music, science and motor dexterity are all areas that are emphasized in our preschool classes.

Mathematical Readiness:

Utilizing *Footsteps for Fours* curriculum, students are taught to count, write, and recognize numbers 1-10. Shape recognition, sequencing and sorting, patterning, measuring, graphing and understanding of dates are also taught through hands-on manipulatives and a daily math corner time.

Reading Readiness and Phonics:

A reading curriculum which incorporates kinesthetic, auditory, and visual reinforcement is used as a foundation to teach students the phonetic sounds of the alphabet (short vowel sounds only). From there, hands on activities and literature are used to expand student's knowledge of letter sounds. Activities are also added to help them recognize their own names, as well as those of their classmates.

Writing Readiness:

Tracing shapes, letter shapes, tracing their names, and practicing writing their own names give students a foundation for future writing.

Bible:

A variety of Bible stories are used to familiarize students with many people from the Bible. Students will memorize a monthly verse to give students a basic knowledge of the Christian faith and the love of Christ.

Arts and Crafts:

Creativity is encouraged through thematic projects and a variety of different media. Skills taught include painting with a variety of objects, drawing, coloring, tracing, clay, cutting, gluing, and collage. Simple craft projects encourage direction following skills and learning through both auditory and visual cues.

Music:

Music is taught once a week. Students learn rhythm, rhyme, volume, pitch and movement during this exciting time.

Science:

Students take a look at the wonderful world that God created through science. Seasonal changes, plant life, animal and insect studies and, of course, creation are all part of this fascination study.

Motor Dexterity:

Fine motor skills are developed through activities such as finger plays, coloring, cutting, play dough and manipulative toys. Gross motor skills are developed by skipping, galloping, hopping, and throwing and kicking balls during our movement time.

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