



New Beginnings Preschool at Grace Lutheran Church

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CURRICULA

All of our core curricula meet or exceed New Jersey State guidelines for preschool educational learning. During the year, our classes will cover such activities as:

ACTIVITY		
Circle Time - Listening and memory skills - Sharing ideas - Vocabulary	Math - Numbers - Counting - Value and relationships	Cooking - Food groups and nutrition - Measures - Taste, texture, smell
Language Arts/Reading - Listening skills - Storytelling and pictures - Imagination - Word recognition	Rhythm Instruments - Listening skills - Following directions - Creativity and expression	Social Studies - Family and home - Community - Culture
Art Projects - Shapes, sizes, position - Textures, patterns, designs - Small motor skills and coordination - Creativity	Singing/Dancing - Vocabulary - Memory skills - Balance and coordination - Creativity and expression	Science - Nature - Observation - Critical thinking skills - Animals, insects, plants

SEASONS and THEMES			
September	October	November	December
Welcome to school Families Friends Apples	Fall Fire safety Columbus Day Halloween and pumpkins	Harvest Thanksgiving Pilgrims/Native Americans Gratitude	Christmas Other holidays (Hanukkah and Kwanza) Christmas pageant Cookies for Santa
January	February	March	April
New Year Winter, snow and ice Arctic and hibernating animals Dr. M. L. King and friendship	Groundhog Day Lunar New Year Dental health/nutrition Valentine's Day President's Day Solar system/space	Weather and wind Spring Dr. Seuss's birthday St. Patrick's Day Circus	Easter Plant life Earth Day and recycling Transportation Farm life and baby chicks
May	June		
Mother's Day Butterflies and insects Community helpers Memorial Day	Dinosaurs Summer Father's Day Ocean life Fairy tales End of year / Graduation		