

Gurnee Christian Preschool

Summary of Curriculum

- **Language Arts** such as name recognition and describing objects/pictures as well as developing a vocabulary. Our preschool curriculum concerns itself with the emotional and social needs of the child as well as the cognitive and physical needs.
- **For the 4 yr. Olds**--There is daily worship that is Christ centered and based on simple Bible stories. This includes prayer and singing along with peers.
- **Social communication.** Developing speech in complete sentences using proper pronunciation skills. Reciting nursery rhymes and retelling events in sequence from a story. Following simple oral directions and listening and responding to simple directions, commands, or questions.
- **Gross motor skills** such as reproducing simple rhythmic patterns and keeping time to music through bodily movements. Rolling, catching and bouncing a ball. Moving through a simple obstacle course. Walking and clapping at the same time. Standing on one foot to count of 5, alternating feet. Jumping, running, climbing up and down stairs while alternating feet.
- **Fine motor skills** such as buttoning, zipping, and snapping of clothes independently. Manipulating crayons, large pencils, scissors and play dough or clay. Displaying preference for left or right handedness. Developing and enhancing eye hand coordination. Begin printing first name.
- **Interpersonal skills** such as cooperating with other children in following classroom rules, sharing and taking turns, providing help to others when needed. Engaging in conversations and activities that involve students and adults in classroom. Assisting with small tasks such as cleaning up, serving snacks, etc. Verbalizing feelings related to events in classroom. Exercising self-control, self-respect and independence.
- **Math skills** such as counting objects, sorting objects, daily verbal counting with peers using large printed numbers and classification and grouping of objects by shape, color, and size. Comparing by sizes, positional relationships (up/down, under/over, etc.), quantities, volume and perception of time.
- **Messy Media/Art, Music and Science** is incorporated into our weekly curriculum.
- Gurnee Christian Preschool administration and staff will assist in encouraging your child in their journey through the most tender portion of their childhood by creating a safe nurturing environment where God's love is demonstrated daily.