

Ballentine Education Center Preschool Curriculum

Year at a Glance

August/September Theme - Who Lives in a Farming Community?

Math - Numbers 1 - 3

- number recognition
- counting
- one to one correspondence
- sorting
- matching

Language Arts - Introduce letters A, B, C

- letter recognition
- letter sounds
- write letters using different mediums
- find words using these letters around the farm
- name recognition

Science - Farm Life

Children will explore:

- where animals live on the farm
- the needs farm animals have
- the people who live and work on the farm
- the important part a farm plays in a community

October Theme - Autumn on the Farm

Math - Numbers 1 - 7

- number recognition
- counting
- one to one correspondence
- sorting
- matching

Language Arts - Letters D, E, F, G

- letter recognition
- letter sounds
- write letters using different mediums
- find words using these letters around the farm
- name recognition

Science - Farm Life

Children will explore:

- how the earth changes during Autumn
- changing leaves
- plants still growing on the farm
- experiments with apples, pumpkins and leaves

Social Studies - Christopher Columbus

Children will:

- be introduced to Christopher Columbus
- identify the Nina, Pinta and the Santa Maria
- locate North America on a globe

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November Theme - The Harvest and Thanksgiving

Math - Numbers 1 - 10

- number recognition
- counting
- one to one correspondence
- sorting
- matching

Language Arts - Introduce letters H, I, J

- letter recognition
- letter sounds
- write letters using different mediums
- find words using these letters around the farm
- writing name

Science - Farm Life

Children will explore:

- how the farm prepares for winter
- how animals prepare for winter
- life cycle of the turkey

Social Studies - The First Thanksgiving

Children will discover:

- Native Americans
- Pilgrims
- what does thankfulness mean
- what children are thankful for

December - Holidays in Our Community

Math - Numbers 1 - 12

- number recognition
- counting
- one to one correspondence
- sorting
- matching

Language Arts - Introduce letters K, L

- letter recognition
- letter sounds
- write letters using different mediums
- find words using these letters around the farm
- writing name

Science - The Season of Winter

Children will explore:

- animals that hibernate
- animals that migrate
- animals that adapt

Social Studies - Community Holidays

Children will discover:

- different holiday traditions

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January - Winter and Arctic Friends

Math - Numbers 1 - 14

- number recognition
- counting
- one to one correspondence
- sorting
- matching
- simple addition games

Language Arts - Introduce letters M, N, O

- letter recognition
- letter sounds
- write letters using different mediums
- find words using these letters around the farm
- writing name
- identifying words in the room

Science - The Season of Winter

Children will explore:

- animals that live in the cold
- where snow comes from
- experiments with snow

Social Studies - Holiday

Children will discover:

- Martin Luther King, celebration of diversity and acceptance

February - Month of Friendship

Math - Numbers 1 - 17

- number recognition
- counting
- one to one correspondence
- sorting
- matching
- simple addition games

Language Arts - Introduce letters P, Q, R

- letter recognition
- letter sounds
- write letters using different mediums
- find words using these letters around the farm
- writing name
- reading simple words in the room

Science - Egg To Chick

Children will explore:

- the life cycle of the chicken
- observe the different stages of egg development

Social Studies - Maps and Valentine's Day

Children will discover:

- what a map is
- how to use maps on the farm
- how to celebrate friendship and Valentine's Day

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March - Celebrate Dr. Seuss and St. Patrick's Day

Math - Numbers 1 - 20

- number recognition
- counting
- one to one correspondence
- sorting
- matching
- simple addition games

Language Arts - Introduce letters S, T, U

- letter recognition
- letter sounds
- write letters using different mediums
- find words using these letters around the farm
- writing name
- reading simple words in the room

Science - Preparation for Spring

Children will explore:

- how the farm prepares for spring
- the life cycle of the plant

Social Studies - Dr. Seuss and Leprechauns

Children will discover:

- the author Dr. Seuss
- St. Patrick's Day

April - Welcome Spring!

Math - Numbers 1 - 23

- number recognition
- counting
- one to one correspondence
- sorting
- matching
- simple addition and subtraction games

Language Arts - Introduce letters V, W, X

- letter recognition
- letter sounds
- write letters using different mediums
- find words using these letters around the farm
- writing name
- reading simple words in the room

Science - The Season of Spring

Children will explore:

- baby animals on the farm
- creepy crawlers
- planting gardens

Social Studies -

Children will discover:

- Earth Day
- the importance of caring for Mother Earth: (Recycling, Reusing..)

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May - Who Lives in the Pond?

Math - Numbers 1 - 25

- number recognition
- counting
- one to one correspondence
- sorting
- matching
- simple addition and subtraction games
- money

Language Arts - Introduce letters Y and Z

- letter recognition
- letter sounds
- write letters using different mediums
- find words using these letters around the farm
- writing name
- reading simple words in the room

Science - Animals Who Live at the Pond

Children will explore:

- a pond habitat
- the life cycle of the frog
- the life cycle of the butterfly

Social Studies - Community Helpers

Children will discover:

- Community Helpers especially our military personnel
- Memorial Day

June- Summer is Almost Here!

Math - Review numbers 1 - 25

- number recognition
- counting
- one to one correspondence
- sorting
- matching
- simple addition and subtraction games
- money

Language Arts - Review all letters

- letter recognition
- letter sounds
- write letters using different mediums
- find words using these letters around the farm
- writing name
- reading simple words in the room

Science - What is wind?

Children will explore:

- wind using pinwheels, kites, paper airplanes and bubbles

Social Studies - Community Helpers

Children will discover:

- what they might want to be when they grow up

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