

GOOD SHEPHERD EPISCOPAL SCHOOL

Primer Year at a Glance

LANGUAGE ARTS

Reading

- Identify story parts and sequence
- Use reading strategies to increase fluency
- Recognize and understand comparison, inference, and main idea
- Classify literature types
- Draw conclusions, predict outcomes
- Use phonemic awareness skills to decode words
- Read basic sight words
- Demonstrate comprehension through oral and written response
- Read with fluency at grade level or beyond

Phonics

- Spells CVC words, e.g. cat, hop, dog
- Identifies initial, medial, and final sounds
- Demonstrate an understanding of letter-sound correspondence by saying the sounds from all letters and from a variety of letter patterns, such as consonant blends and long – and short- vowel patterns, and by matching sounds to the corresponding letters.
- Attempts to spell unfamiliar words by segmenting sounds

Writing

- Uses a proper pencil grip
- Forms lower case letters using the correct sequence of movements
- Writes simple sentences independently
- Chooses what to write about, plans and then follows it through
- Begins to use capital letters and periods

Listening and Speaking

- Sit and listen to story
- Answer and recall questions
- Follow two and three step directions
- Wait to be recognized before speaking out
- Speak in complete sentences
- Express ideas orally

Math

- Counts reliably at least 30 objects
- Counts on in ones from any small number to 20

- Counts backwards from 20 to 1
- Reads, writes and orders numbers from 0 to at least 20
- Says the number that is one more or less within the range 0 to 20
- Knows pairs of numbers with a total of 10
- Uses appropriate vocabulary when comparing measurements
- Uses mathematical language to describe features of familiar 2D shapes
- Reads and interprets information from simple graphs
- Makes simple pictogram and block graph
- Uses mathematical methods to solve problems

Signature Events

- Chick egg hatching
- Field Trip to the Farm
- 100th Day (dress-up day)
- Polar Express (pajama dress-up day)
- Traditions Around the World
- 5th Grade community buddies
- 2nd Grade reading buddies
- Class Garden
- Music sharing/Mother's day tea