

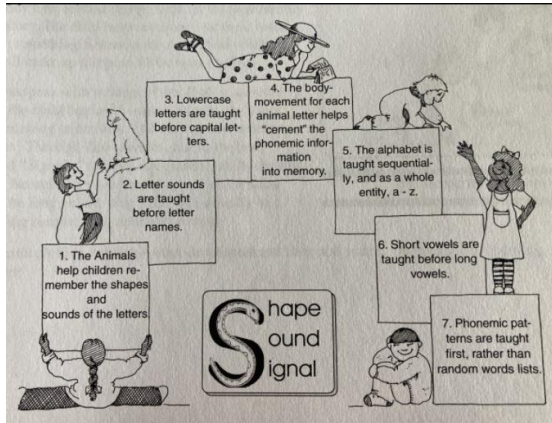
**Welcome to NET
Peer Inclusion Preschool
2021-22**



Our Curriculum

Zoo Phonics

This curriculum teaches lower case recognition and letter sounds through animal signals. This is based on research that 95% of print is lowercase and reading sound based not name based.



Creative Curriculum

We use the creative curriculum which aligns with WaKIDS kindergarten learning standards. This project-based curriculum empowers students to become confident, creative, and caring learners. Throughout the year we will explore various topics through hands on activities while developing social-emotion, physical, language, cognitive, mathematical, and literacy skills.

Preschool Information

Class is Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday
No class on Wednesdays

AM Class - 9 to 11:30 AM

PM Class - 1 to 3:30 PM

Doors will open 5 minutes prior to start time.

Temperature checks at arrival and departure

All students are required to wear a mask while at school.

Snacks are provided through the free school lunch program.

TS Gold Conferences:

December 6th - 10th

March 7th - 11th

Staff Directory

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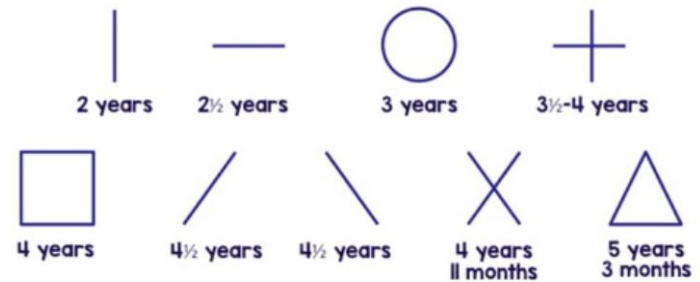
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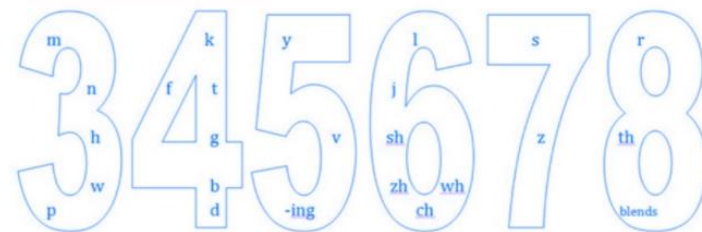
Developmental Stages

PRE-WRITING SHAPES

Before your child can learn to write, he or she needs to be able to draw these shapes



SPEECH SOUND DEVELOPMENT BY AGE



Clothing

We will be engaging in variety of activities during our day, which means we sometimes get messy. Our paints and markers are "washable" and should come out in the wash... but in some cases especially with red it can stain. As we don't have to follow NET dress code, old comfortable clothes that allow your child to move and freely engage without worry are best. Due to COVID we cannot provide smocks, but you are welcome to supply on to keep in your child's cubby.

We go outside rain or shine so dress accordingly. Unless it's pouring, we go outside and use towels to go down the slide.

Tennis shoes (closed toed shoes) are best for preschool. Sandals, flip flops, Crocs, and slip-on shoes are not appropriate for our playground. We have stairs, ladders, and fireman pole which are not safe without proper footwear.

If your child wears diapers, please ensure they have diapers and an extra set of clothes in their backpacks.

If you wish you may send a change of clothes with your child to keep in their cubby.

About Me

My name is Pia Beetham, and I am excited to be your child's adventure guide this year as we learn and explore together. I live on Fox Island with my two daughters, two dogs and two guinea pigs. When I'm not teaching, I enjoy exploring the great outdoors of the Pacific Northwest through hiking, biking, and kayaking.

As a child at heart, I believe that children learn best through play as they explore their environment. One of my favorite poems is 100 Languages by Loris Malaguzzi, which describes all the wonderful ways our children communicate and learn. My love for children and teaching lead me to the world of education 11 years ago. My journey began when I opened my own Early Head Start program as a family childcare provider in Concord, CA. When I returned to Washington I worked as an aid in the Residential Parenting Program at the Women's Prison in Gig Harbor. Once my youngest daughter entered kindergarten I began working as a para educator for Peninsula School District. Last year after completing my teacher certification through City University, I found myself here at Northeast Tacoma Elementary.

Class Schedule

AM	Schedule	PM
9:00	Arrival (Coat, Hands, Book)	1:00
9:10	Morning Circle	1:10
9:30	Table Time	1:30
9:45	Choice Time	1:45
10:15	Story Time	2:15
10:45	Snack	2:45
11:00	Recess	3:00
11:30	Go Home	3:30

Arrival: Students learn to take care of their own needs and develop an appreciation of reading.

Table Time: Teacher directed games and art that align with fine motor, cognitive, literacy and mathematical skills.

Choice Time: Student directed activities focusing on all areas of development especially social-motional skills. Areas include dramatic play, sensory table, science corner, blocks, art, and manipulatives (toys and puzzles).

Story Time: Thursdays we explore stories through Cosmic Kids Yoga.

When to Stay Home

We have medically fragile children in our preschool program so your vigilance with this is important.

If your child has ANY of the following symptoms, they should stay home per COVID protocol.

- Nausea, vomiting or diarrhea within the last 24 hours
- Fever of 100.4 or higher
- Cough
- Loss of taste
- Shortness of breath
- Fatigue
- Headache
- Muscle or body aches
- Sore throat
- Congestion or runny nose



Ms. Pia

Yes, I was once a preschooler too!



Birthdays and Holidays

As we have such limited time in preschool, we do not celebrate holidays and birthdays with parties. We do; however, incorporate fun songs and art relating to the various times of year into our daily activities. In lieu of birthdays we will celebrate a student of the week. This is a special time for each student to share what makes them special and unique. More information to come on this later.

Student of the Week Timeline

- Monday - Share All About Me Poster
- Tuesday - Show and Tell
- Thursday - Bring a favorite snack to share
- Friday - "Read" favorite book to class

