

# St. James Episcopal School

A Parish Day School of St. James Episcopal Church

## Curriculum Guide

Intermediates

*Program for 3 year olds*



EDUCATING THE WHOLE CHILD...  
MIND, BODY AND SPIRIT

# Intermediates

(3 year old program)

## Language Arts

### *Expressive*

- Speaks in full sentences
- Uses "I", "me," or "mine" to show possession
- Takes turns in conversations
- Repeats sounds, words and phrases (finger plays, poems, songs)
- Shares ideas and stories in group time
- Retells stories with logic
- Uses simple verbs
- Asks and answers questions of who, what, when, where, why, how

### *Receptive*

- Recognizes own name when printed
- Tells story with visual aids
- Predicts logical outcome of story
- Telling a story in sequence with pictures
- Enhance awareness of left to right progression

## Reading Readiness

- Share books, poems, and finger plays with children
- Model reading behaviors
- Establish literacy-rich environment
- Understand that print carries a message
- Participate in rhyming games

## Motor Skills

- Introduce awareness of space
- Continue to develop gross motor skills
- Continue to develop fine motor skills

## Math

- Number recognition and concept to 10
- Count to 20 by rote
- Classifies objects by size, color, shape, design
- Identify shapes (circle, square, triangle, oval, heart and rectangle)
- Matches objects one-to-one correspondence
- Repeats single pattern
- Answer simple questions about graph
- Compares groups such as alike/different, taller/shorter, more/less

## Science

- Introduce and develop an awareness of senses
- Develop awareness of nature and the world around us
- Develop concept of seasons and weather
- Experiment and predict basic concepts: hard/soft, hot/cold, wet/dry, sink/float

## Health & Safety

- Identifies body parts and uses
- Develop an understanding of proper nutrition
- Develop and understanding of good dental hygiene
- Develop awareness of good health and safety rules

## Social Skills

- Continue to develop self-help skills
- Continue to develop healthy concept of self
- Continue to develop acceptable expression of emotion
- Continue to encourage participation of daily routine and group games

## Social Studies

- develop concepts of ourselves, our families and the world around us
- develop our awareness of community helpers
- develop awareness of our holidays
- develop our awareness of land and water masses
- introduce our state (Texas) and its culture

## Art

- introduces and experiences development of line, color, shape and texture
- master recognition of primary colors and continue awareness of secondary colors
- introduce and experience modeling, constructing and drawing skills
- introduce and experience skills with various art media

## Physical

### *Gross Motor*

- Jumps, runs, climbs, throws, hops, crawls independently
- Becomes familiar with balancing activities

### *Fine Motor*

- Learns self-help skills (zip, button, snap, lace)
- Develops pincer control with scissors, pencil, crayon
- String beads

## Religion

- Appreciates God's love for us and for the world
- Says Grace before snacks and meals
- Participates in daily Morning Prayer
- Attends Chapel weekly
- Recites some prayers, hymns
- Retells some Bible stories

# Intermediates Units of Study

## August

It's School Time  
All About Me  
5 Senses  
Names

## Objectives

Letters A, B, C; Numbers 0 and 1; Shape Circle; Color Green; 5 senses, body parts, emotions, self-awareness; modeled writing, rhyming, graphing, drawing, jumping, tossing a ball, dramatic play.

## September

Healthy Me  
Helpers  
Construction  
Things That Go

Letters D, E, F; Number 2; Shape Pentagon; Color Orange; body movement, throwing at a target, making predictions, sequence of events, creativity, problem solving, painting, stamping, gluing, constructing.

## October

Autumn  
Pumpkins  
Apples  
Baking

Letters G, H, I; Number 3; Shape Oval; Color Brown; Labeling, positional words descriptive words, sequence of events, counting, comparing, senses, painting, play doh, ripping, balancing, play instruments, flipping, scooping, parts or fruit, colors, physical change.

## November

Food Groups  
In the Kitchen  
Thanksgiving  
Gingerbread

Letters J, K, L; Number 4; Shape Triangle; Color Black; names, sorting, drawing to express a thought, concepts of print, sequence of events, inferring, healthy habits, emotions, clay molding, throwing at a target, observations, food groups measuring, working with peers, chemical reactions.

## December

Holidays

Letters Review; Number 5; Shape Star; Color Red; Using prior knowledge, Rhyming, patterns, directionality, stringing, tearing, gluing, painting,

## January

Winter  
Polar Animals  
Pets  
Fairy Tales

Letters M, N, O; Number 6; Shape Rectangle; Color White; responding to text, classification, animal adaptations, sequence events from a story, vocabulary, making predictions, using prior knowledge, counting, sorting, working with peers show curiosity, motion, freezing and melting, fiction v. non-fiction, Non-standard measurement, creativity, balance.

## February

Authors  
Friendship  
Pizza  
Dinosaurs

Letters P, Q, R; Number 7; Shape Heart; Color Pink; retelling a story, authors and illustrators, expressing self through oral language, modeled writing, vocabulary, making predictions, measurement, shapes, graphing, numbers, non-standard measurement, squeezing droppers, senses, lacing, tossing bean bags, rolling a ball, body movement.

## March

More Dinosaurs  
Plants  
Bugs

Letters S, T, U; Number 8; Shape Diamond; Color Purple; rhyming, positional words, inferencing, sorting, graphing, counting, working with peers, perseverance, stamping, sensory bag, blowing in a straw, taste.

April

Spring Weather

Farm

Pond

Frogs

Letters V, W, X; Number 9; Shape Square; Color Yellow; making comparisons, rhyming, vocabulary, using prior knowledge, predictions, making observations, identifying differences, counting, shapes, measurement, graphing, sorting, classification, perseverance, creativity, show curiosity, painting, collage, stamping, tracing, using droppers, soft tossing, body movement, rolling a ball, physical change, light and shadows, living things, weather.

May

Ocean

At the Beach

Letters Y, Z; Number 10; Shapes Hexagon & Octagon; Color Blue; vocabulary, making comparisons, using prior knowledge, shapes, counting, numbers, Creativity, show curiosity, working with peers, sand art, marbling, tearing, cutting, parachute, body movement, crab walk, colors, light, density.