

# Junior Kindergarten Curriculum



## READING/ LANGUAGE ARTS

Use of language to reflect and communicate information and ideas in a variety of contexts

- Listening skills and instruction following
- Repetition and recall of familiar stories and problems
- Anticipation and prediction in stories
- Response to a wide variety of genres and authors
- Pre-writing and pre-reading skills
- Letter recognition and phonic awareness
- Emergent writing and inventive spelling
- Letter formation and writing own name
- Drawing of pictures to tell stories and record events

## FOREIGN LANGUAGES

- Introduction of foreign language through songs and action rhymes
- Simple greetings and phrases
- Vocabulary introduction and development
- Counting
- Stories and tales
- Role play and games

## MATHEMATICS

Counting and consolidation of one-to-one correspondence through concrete use of numbers in the school day

- Number recognition and formation
- Begin to use math to solve problems in class
- Naming 2D and 3D shapes
- Sorting to two or more attributes
- Use of graphs and sets to display simple data

## SCIENCE

Promote observational skills through the use of simple scientific equipment, e.g. magnifying glasses

- Record observations through drawing and communicate ideas using developing scientific language
- Begin looking at cause and effect
- Investigate aspects of light and shadows
- Understand the requirements of living things
- Investigate and record the changes of the environment through the seasons

## VISUAL ARTS

- Use art to express feelings and to create and explore ideas.
- Make marks, imagine and represent with a variety of tools and materials
- Investigate and experiment with color, form, shape and texture
- Produce 2D and 3D artwork
- Respond to & appreciate art from a variety of sources & cultures

## MUSIC

- Enjoy and appreciate, listen and move to a wide variety of music
- Explore vocal and non-vocal sounds and create sound effects
- Use percussion instruments to develop a sense of rhythm

## PHYSICAL EDUCATION

- Spatial awareness and gross motor skills development
- Coordination, control, manipulation and balance
- Participation and instruction following in simple games
- Vocabulary of movement: hop, jump, run, etc...
- Healthy lifestyles and the importance of being active