

4's Universal Preschool Tidbits



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Mature Play: This year we will continue to use the Houghton Mifflin curriculum that encompasses literacy, math, science, and social studies for the preschoolers. Each unit allows a mature play opportunity to unfold. As our room gets transformed into a zoo, firehouse, YMCA, bakery, etc. the students will get the opportunity to take on roles of the people you would see in the different environments. Through mature play the students are developing social emotional skills, self regulation, as well as reiterating our daily language arts, math, handwriting, and science lessons. ABC recognition, sounds and sound blending, rhyming, syllable counting, numbers 1-20, colors, shapes, patterning, and more are emphasized throughout the school year in preparation for Kindergarten.

Music and Movement: Singing and dancing with music will be everyday activities. It is exciting seeing children dance and sing and learn at the same time.

Handwriting: St. Augustin Preschool uses a specific curriculum for handwriting called Handwriting Without Tears. The four-year-olds will be using the HWT curriculum throughout the year. This will include learning spatial concepts, correct pencil grasp, and letter formation of the capital letters and some lower case letters.

Outside Play: We go outside when the temperature is above 0 degrees. We either visit the playground out in the back of the school or play some games out in the front field of the school. The students will participate in a gym class once a week taught by Mr. Larimar. The morning class will meet on Friday and the afternoon class will have gym days on Thursdays. Please have your child wear appropriate running shoes on gym days