

# Three Year Old Preschool

Preschool is an exciting time in a child's life! They live to discover and learn by singing, playing, and exploring. They are in the 'monkey see, monkey do' stage of life. It's what we call the 'Parrot Stage' in classical education. Therefore, we harness that energy and ingenuity and let their curiosity be the driving force of their education. It's a time to get messy as they trace letters, shapes, and numbers in shaving cream; to jump and sing as they learn their continents and months of the year; and to open their eyes to the beauty of God's creation around them.

Books read aloud to the class are an integral part of our curriculum. Picture books, stories, and poems open their minds to the beauty and language of their world. The class will read, study, and do crafts on at least 34 books each year with other titles and themes added each week. Additionally, students will develop cognitive skills by problem solving, sensory play, matching/sorting, and decision making and will learn important social-emotional and gross and fine motor skills.

## **LETTERS/SOUNDS/BEGINNING PHONICS**

- Letter names, letter recognition, and sounds
- Ear training

## **LANGUAGE AND WRITING**

- Language development and listening skills that include colors, words, shapes, animals, transportation, countries, community helpers, safety, manners, and science.
- Writing one's name

## **NUMBERS**

- Number recognition and counting 1-30
- Writing of numbers
- Largest to smallest

## **BIBLE**

- Bible stories and memory verses such as Creation, Adam & Eve, Noah, Boy Samuel, Daniel, Boyhood of Jesus, Zacchaeus, Good Samaritan
- Prayers and affirmations

## **MUSIC AND ART**

- Traditional and fun songs
- Development of motor skills in drawing, coloring, cutting, and gluing