Kindergarten Curriculum

Immanuel Lutheran School Salem, OR 97302

God's Word

Selected stories from the Christ Light series are chosen which follow a chronological order from Creation through Joseph, Birth of Jesus through many of Jesus' miracles, and finally the death and resurrection of our Lord and Savior through Philip and the Ethiopian. In addition to comprehending the Bible stories, the students memorize Bible verses relative to the stories and also songs. A Wednesday morning all student Chapel service acquaints the students with joint worship and church etiquette as well as exposing them to the theme for Sunday's worship service. Prayer and God's Word are intertwined throughout the day.

Reading/Language

The Superkids Program is a fabulous program that is complete and effective in training students to read while being exciting and fun for students as well! Students learn the 26 letter sounds; writing upper and lower case letters; writing words and sentences; blending sounds to read and segmenting sounds to spell; 67 Dolch words and hundreds of phonetically regular words; listening comprehension skills, strategies applied during read–alouds, narrated activities on CD, and decodable stories; vocabulary and fluency skills; and also shared, dictated, and individual writing. There are 12 Superkid characters that the students are introduced to and learn with throughout 2nd grade. The kids love it and learn so much!

Spelling

The Superkids Program encourages students to segment sounds to spell even before they are writing actual words. This is part of their daily routine. This helps them to hear the different sounds of the word and makes spelling easier later on.

Penmanship

The Superkids program teaches Zaner-Bloser manuscript. Penmanship is a part of their daily routine.

English /Grammar

The Superkids Program introduces students to Simple noun/verb sentence structure with adjective options. Punctuation such as period, exclamation point, question mark, quotation marks are all introduced and discussed regularly.

<u>Math</u>

Saxon Mathematics is the curriculum which is a wonderful math series. The students are taught numerical recognition, writing, counting, time, money, measurement, shapes, addition and subtraction and so much more! Hands on manipulatives and learning games are used to encourage and reinforce.

Science/Social Studies

The students are daily interactive with stories that are read with science and social studies topics. Appropriate vocabulary is discussed and occasional theme units are presented with activities. Monthly field trips also enhance the programs. A Science/Social Studies themed periodical will be added in the 2013–14 school year.

Art/Music/Physical Education

The students are given daily opportunities for art, music and P.E. with different activities each day. In addition to organized activities, children are encouraged to be creative during their free time and recess time. These areas promote a child's awareness of fine arts and develop their fine and gross motor skills.

Computer

Students are given daily opportunities to use the computer with learning games as well as (teacher controlled) directly related activities on-line with our Super Kids program. These on-line activities are also accessible to them in their homes through the Super Kids Program.