

LET'S FIND OUT Kindergarten

EDITORIAL HIGHLIGHTS 2011-2012

Month	Topics and Curriculum Standards	Early Reading Skills
September School and Friendship	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Friendship: Social Development • Apples: Plant Growth • Back to School: Community • Manners: Social Development • Poster Concepts: Colors, ABCs 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Phonemic Awareness/Phonics: Initial consonants • Vocabulary: Words to show kindness • Comprehension: Make personal connections • Fluency: Echo reading
October Autumn Changes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Autumn Changes: Earth Patterns and Cycles • Pumpkins: Life Science • Fire Safety: Personal Safety • Bats: Life Science • Poster Concepts: Maps, Opposites 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Phonemic Awareness/Phonics: Rhyming words • Vocabulary: Descriptive words • Comprehension: Make predictions • Fluency: Echo reading
November/December Holiday Time!	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Thanksgiving: American History • Animals Get Ready for Winter: Life Science • Veterans Day: American History • Winter Holidays: Culture • Poster Concepts: Graphing, Numbers 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Phonemic Awareness/Phonics: Initial consonants • Vocabulary: Social Studies vocabulary • Comprehension: Making personal connections • Fluency: Repetitive text/sight-word practice
January Wow! It's Winter	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Martin Luther King Jr.: American History • Penguins: Life Science • Blizzard!: Earth Patterns and Cycles • Snow Monkeys: Life Science • Poster Concepts: Rhyming, Position Words 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Phonemic Awareness/Phonics: Ending consonants • Vocabulary: Science vocabulary • Comprehension: Drawing conclusions • Fluency: Repetitive text/sight-word practice
February Special Days	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Presidents' Day: American History • Valentine's Day: Social Studies • Groundhog Day: Life Science • Dental Health: Health and Safety • Poster Concepts: Shapes, Money 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Phonemic Awareness/Phonics: Short vowel sounds • Vocabulary: Social Studies vocabulary • Comprehension: Compare and contrast • Fluency: Choral reading/sight-word practice
March Spring Is Coming!	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Spring All Around: Earth Patterns and Cycles • Eric Carle: Author Study • St. Patrick's Day: Culture • Wind and Weather: Weather Observations • Poster Concepts: 5 Senses, Nutrition 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Phonemic Awareness/Phonics: Short vowel sounds • Vocabulary: Weather Words • Comprehension: Main idea and detail • Fluency: Choral reading/sight-word practice
April Growing and Changing	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Flowers, Plants, and Seeds: Life Processes • Earth Day: Environment and Civics • Baby Animals: Life Processes • Amazing Rain: Life Science/Matter • Poster Concepts: Describing Words, Patterns 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Phonemic Awareness/Phonics: Blending phonemes • Vocabulary: Positional words • Comprehension: Sequencing • Fluency: Partner reading/sight-word practice
May/June Sun and Water	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Summer Safety: Health and Safety • Butterflies: Characteristics of Organisms • Ocean: Scientific Investigation • Mother's Day/Father's Day: Social Development • Poster Concepts: Action Words, Measurement 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Phonemic Awareness/Phonics: Segmenting phonemes • Vocabulary: Science vocabulary • Comprehension: Formulating questions • Fluency: Repeated readings/sight-word practice