

FOUR YEAR OLD CURRICULUM OVERVIEW

Monthly concepts are introduced according to seasonal, Biblical and traditional themes and activities at MLPS. Themes are extended through developmentally appropriate learning centers and activities throughout the year. MLPS uses *Healthy Beginnings* and the Maryland State Department of Education (MSDE) *Supporting Every Young Learner* and focuses on all of the domains of learning, (the domains are listed below). These domains of learning are integrated daily through play, teacher-directed activities and child-directed activities. Biblical themes are an essential part of each day and are supplemented with daily prayers, songs and activities.

| MONTH | SOCIAL FOUNDATIONS | PHYSICAL WELL-BEING AND MOTOR DEVELOPMENT | THE ARTS | SOCIAL STUDIES BIBLE THEMES | LANGUAGE AND LITERACY | MATHEMATICS | SCIENCE |
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| Year round | The Social Foundations domain is a part of the daily curriculum. Children learn to play, socialize, take turns, resolve conflicts, learn self-control and demonstrate self-confidence. | The Physical Well-Being and Motor Development domain is a part of the daily curriculum. Children learn to move with balance and control through indoor and outdoor play. They learn to perform self-care tasks, develop proper pencil grips, and use eye/hand coordination through cutting, lacing and other activities. | The Arts domain is a part of the daily curriculum. Children explore and use a variety of materials to express ideas. Children participate in music, creative movement, dance and drama. | Fruits of the Spirit – love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, self-control | Review letters and expand vocabulary Word Wall Scholastic Reading | | Science A to Z |
| September | | | | Love & Respect Special “Me” Family Roles and Friends Citizenship: Flag and Pledge God’s Creation Adam and Eve | Review Letters A-C Recognizing and Writing Name Sharing | Basic Shapes Calendar Numbers Ordering/Size Color Counting Left/Right | Primary and Secondary Colors Fall Apples |
| October | | | | Joy & Cooperation Careers – Fire & Police Safety at Home & School Noah Abraham and Sarah Jonah | Review Letters D-G Alphabet BINGO Listening Skills Experience Stories | Recognizing the Numbers 1 – 10 Classification Ten Frames Relationship between ones and tens | Changing Seasons Pumpkins Squirrels Field Trip |

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| November | | | | Peace & Friendship Healthy Living Thanksgiving, Pilgrims & Native Americans Moses Joshua Samuel/Hannah | Review Letters H-J Rhyming Drama | Shapes Puzzles Sorting & Classifying by Attribute | Nutrition: My Healthy Plate Turkeys Food and Senses |
| December | | | | Patience & Generosity Advent Christmas Happy Birthday Jesus Shepherds and Angels Nativity | Review Letters K, L Sequence | Sequencing Comparisons Counting Songs | Camels, Donkeys Manger Animals Making Cookies |
| January | | | | Kindness & Acceptance New Year's Day Martin Luther King Winter Fun Jesus the Boy 12 Disciples Jesus Feeds 5,000 | Review Letters M-P Winter Stories Nursery Rhymes Favorite Book Fridays | Patterns Numbers 1 – 20 Opposites Maps & Globes | Dinosaurs Snow and Ice Bears Hibernation Penguins |
| February | | | | Goodness & Honesty Valentine's Day Presidents Jesus Loves Me Jesus' Miracles | Review Letters Q-S Dentist Visit | Valentine Graph Estimate/Guess Ordering Pennies/Quarters | Rockets Dental Hygiene Groundhog Day |
| March | | | | Faithfulness & Perseverance Dr. Seuss St. Patrick's Day Prayer Parables Farm Animals | Review Letters T-W Parts of a Story Retelling a Story Parts of a Book | Length & Weight Using Scales Lion and Lamb Calendar and Graph Maps & Globes | Trains Lion & Lamb Days Kites/Wind Rainbows Spring -- New Life |
| April | | | | Gentleness & Compassion Earth Day Palm Sunday Easter Spring Field Trip | Review Letters X-Z | Spatial Concepts Dozen | Planting Seeds Taking Care of Planet Earth Recycle/Conserve Pastel Colors |
| May | | | | Self-Control & Responsibility Jesus Loves the Little Children | Alphabet Review All About Mom Mothers' Day Tea | Numbers Review | Caterpillars Butterflies Ocean Life |