# Curriculum Plan

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## Jacob's Learning Ladder Pre-School and Adventure Club



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# September

WEEKLY THEME: LETTER: SHOW AND SHARE:

9/5 Welcome to School Where Do We Start Our Letters? Child's Choice

9/12 I Am Special LI Family Photo

9/19 Community Heroes Ff No Show and Share

9/26 Pick an Apple Ee Something Red

SPECIAL EVENTS: Labor Day: Center Closed—September 5

First Day of Preschool—6, 7\*

Handprint T-Shirts—Week of September 12 (Help Needed)

Community Helper Day—September 23

BIBLE STORY: Call of Abraham (Genesis)

MATH READINESS: Count a Set of Objects

**NUMBER:** Zero and One

**SCIENCE**: Apples and Bananas

**HEALTH/NUTRITION:** Fruit Salad

**SOCIAL STUDIES:** Where Is My Home?

SOCIAL GROWTH: I Try My Best LITERACY SKILLS: Book Basics

CHILDREN'S RHYME: In the Apple Tree

**BOOK AND AUTHOR:** We Don't Eat Our Classmates by Ryan T. Higgins

COLOR: Red

PHYSICAL DEVELOPMENT Gross Motor—Balancing

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### October

WEEKLY THEME:		LETTER:	SHOW AND SHARE:
10/3	Nocturnal Animals	Hh	Nocturnal Animal (Pic or Toy)
10/10	Pick a Pumpkin	Tt	No Show and Share
10/17	Five Senses	li	Child's Choice
10/24	Halloween Fun and Safety	Uu	Something Orange
10/31	Autumn Changes	Сс	Something Beginning with C

**SPECIAL EVENTS:** Scholastic Book Fair—October 3-11

Parent Conferences—October 4-6

Fall Party—October 31

FIELD TRIP: Pumpkin Patch—October 14 (Drivers Needed)\*

BIBLE STORIES: Covenant and Commandments (Exodus)

Joshua (Joshua)

MATH READINESS: Sorting

**NUMBER:** Two and Three

**SCIENCE**: Creepy Crawlers

**HEALTH/NUTRITION:** What Grows on a Vine?

**SOCIAL STUDIES:** Where Is My Town?

**SOCIAL GROWTH:** My Feelings

**LITERACY SKILLS:** Syllables

CHILDREN'S RHYME: Itsy Bitsy Spider

**BOOK AND AUTHOR:** Hoodwinked by Arthur Howard

**COLOR:** Orange

PHYSICAL DEVELOPMENT: Gross Motor—Hopping

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### November

WEEKLY THEME:		LETTER:	SHOW AND SHARE:
10/31	Autumn Changes	Сс	Something Beginning with <b>C</b>
11/7	Harvest Sharing	Oo	Non-perishable Food Item
11/14	Feast of Thanksgiving	Qq	Something Brown
11/21	We Are Thankful	Review	No Show and Share
11/28	Deck the Halls	Ss	Something Beginning with <b>\$</b>

**SPECIAL EVENTS:** Thanksgiving Feast—November 15, 16 (Volunteers Needed)\*

Thanksgiving Break: Center Closed—November 24-25

BIBLE STORIES: God Calls David (1 Samuel)

Elisha Heals Naaman (2 Kings)

**MATH READINESS:** Patterns

**NUMBER:** Four and Five

**SCIENCE**: Hibernation

**HEALTH/NUTRITION** Healthy Habits

**SOCIAL STUDIES:** Thank You, Veterans

**SOCIAL GROWTH:** Sharing

**LITERACY SKILLS:** Recognizing Rhyming Words

**CHILDREN'S RHYME**: Muffin Chant

**BOOK AND AUTHOR:** Bear Says Thanks by Karma Wilson

COLOR: Brown

PHYSICAL DEVELOPMENT: Gross Motor—Running and Skipping

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#### December

WEEKLY THEME: LETTER: SHOW AND SHARE:

11/28 Deck the Halls Ss Something Beginning with **S** 

12/5 Holiday Traditions Gg Christmas Ornament

12/12 Friendly Beasts Corner Start Letters Something Gold and/or Silver

12/19 The Polar Express Curved Letters Child's Choice

12/26 Center Closed for Winter Break (Non-payment Week)

**SPECIAL EVENTS:** Christmas Program—December 13\*

Polar Express Christmas Party—December 19, 20

Winter Break: Center Closed—December 26-30

BIBLE STORY: Christmas Story (Matthew 1-2, Luke 1-2)

MATH READINESS: Shapes

**NUMBER:** Review Numbers Zero through Five

**SCIENCE**: Stars

**HEALTH/NUTRITION** Kitchen Safety

**SOCIAL STUDIES:** Christmas Around the World

**SOCIAL GROWTH:** Patience

**LITERACY SKILLS:** Review Fall Literacy Skills

CHILDREN'S RHYME: Twinkle, Twinkle, Christmas Star

**BOOK AND AUTHOR:** Christmas at the Top of the World by Tim Coffey

**COLOR**: Silver and Gold

PHYSICAL DEVELOPMENT: Fine Motor—Pincer Grasp

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WEEKLY THEME:		LETTER:	SHOW AND SHARE:
1/2	Happy New Year!	Jj	Favorite Christmas Present
1/9	Day and Night	Dd	Pajamas and Cuddly
1/16	Polar Animals	Pp	Polar Animal (Pic or Toy)
1/23	Our Great State	Bb	Kansas Team Gear
1/30	Fairy Tales	Rr	Something Beginning with <b>R</b>

**SPECIAL EVENTS:** Program Resumes—January 2

Pajama Day—January 13

Martin Luther King, Jr. Day: Center Closed—January 16

Dad's Night—January 24

Kansas Team Gear Day—January 27

BIBLE STORIES: Jesus' Baptism (Matthew 3)

Beatitudes (Matthew 5)

MATH READINESS: Concept of Time

NUMBER: Six

**SCIENCE**: Properties of Water

**HEALTH/NUTRITION:** Dress for the Weather

**SOCIAL STUDIES**: Where Is My State?

**SOCIAL GROWTH:** Good Choices

**LITERACY SKILLS:** Beginning Sounds

CHILDREN'S RHYME: Neat Little Clock

**BOOK AND AUTHOR:** Sadie and the Snowman by Allen Morgan

**COLOR:** Black and White

**PHYSICAL DEVELOPMENT:** Fine Motor—Tripod Grasp

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# February

WEEKLY THEME:		LETTER:	SHOW AND SHARE:
1/30	Fairy Tales	Rr	Something Beginning with <b>R</b>
2/6	Dinosaurs	Kk	Dinosaur (Pic or Toy)
2/13	Valentine Friends	Aa	Something Pink and/or Purple
2/20	Teddy Bear Picnic	Vv	Teddy Bear
2/27	Celebrate Dr. Seuss	Mm	Favorite Dr. Seuss Book or Character

**SPECIAL EVENTS:** Valentine's Party—February 14

Evening With Mom—February 28

BIBLE STORIES: The Golden Rule (Matthew 7)

Who Is the Greatest? (Matthew 18)

**MATH READINESS:** More or Less

**NUMBER:** Seven

**SCIENCE**: The Human Body

**HEALTH/NUTRITION:** Healthy Smile

**SOCIAL STUDIES:** Where Is My Country?

**SOCIAL GROWTH:** I Can Be a Friend

**LITERACY SKILLS:** Distinguishing Letters, Words and Sentences

CHILDREN'S RHYME: Teddy Bear, Teddy Bear

**BOOK AND AUTHOR:** How Do Dinosaurs Play with Their Friends? by Jane Yolen

**COLOR:** Pink and Purple

PHYSICAL DEVELOPMENT: Fine Motor—Scissor Skills



**WEEKLY THEME:** LETTER: **SHOW AND SHARE:** 2/27 Favorite Dr. Seuss Book or Celebrate Dr. Seuss Mm Character 3/6 **Animal Homes** Nn Child's Choice 3/13 Go Team Review Something Green 3/20 Spring Weather Ww Something Beginning with W

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Farm Animal (Pic or Toy)

**SPECIAL EVENTS:** St. Patrick's Day Party—March 17

BIBLE STORIES: Laborers in the Vineyard (Matthew 20)

Parables (Matthew 13)

**MATH READINESS:** Ordinal Numbers

**NUMBER:** Eight

Life on the Farm

3/27

**SCIENCE**: Rainbows

**HEALTH/NUTRITION:** Let's Move

**SOCIAL STUDIES:** Where Is My Continent?

**SOCIAL GROWTH:** Teamwork

**LITERACY SKILLS:** Alliteration

CHILDREN'S RHYME: Peter Piper

**BOOK AND AUTHOR:** The Rainbow Fish by Marcus Pfister

COLOR: Green

PHYSICAL DEVELOPMENT: Gross Motor—Catching and Throwing



WEEKLY THEME: LETTER/NUMBER: SHOW AND SHARE:

4/3 Easter Traditions Yy Three Hard-Boiled Eggs

4/10 Spring Life Cycles Zz Something Blue

4/17 Our Beautiful Earth 0-5 Plant

4/24 Things that Go 6-10 Bike and Helmet

**SPECIAL EVENTS:** Easter Party—April 6

Good Friday: Center Closed—April 7

Scholastic Book Fair—April 10-18 Parent Conferences—April 11-13

Bike Day—April 27, 28\*

**BIBLE STORIES:** Palm Sunday (Matthew 21)

Easter (Matthew 28)

MATH READINESS: Left and Right

NUMBER: Nine

**SCIENCE**: Egg Babies

**HEALTH/NUTRITION:** What Grows Underground?

**SOCIAL STUDIES:** Our Planet Earth

**SOCIAL GROWTH:** I Am Responsible

**LITERACY SKILLS:** Ending Sounds

CHILDREN'S RHYME: Little Bunny by Marc Brown

**BOOK AND AUTHOR:** Up, Down, and Around by Katherine Ayres

COLOR: Blue

PHYSICAL DEVELOPMENT: Gross Motor—Dancing

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WEEKLY THEME:NUMBER:SHOW AND SHARE:5/1A Bug's Life11-15Something Yellow5/8Who Lives at the Zoo?16-20No Show and Share5/15Construction ZoneNumber ReviewChild's Choice

**SPECIAL EVENTS:** Preschool Promotion Day—May 23, 24\*

Last Day of School—May 26

Concept of Money

Memorial Day: Center Closed—May 29

Math Review

No Show and Share

FIELD TRIP: Zoo—May 12 (Drivers Needed)

BIBLE STORIES: Pentecost (Acts 2)

NUMBER: Ten

**MATH READINESS:** 

Promotion

5/22

**SCIENCE**: Force and Motion

**HEALTH/NUTRITION:** Summer Safety

**SOCIAL STUDIES:** Year in Review

**SOCIAL GROWTH:** Honesty

**LITERACY SKILLS:** Review Spring Literacy Skills

**CHILDREN'S RHYME**: Standing on the Sidewalk

**BOOK AND AUTHOR:** Pig the Fibber by Aaron Blabey

COLOR: Yellow

PHYSICAL DEVELOPMENT: Gross Motor—Ball Skills: Kicking and Dribbling

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