

PRIMARY CENTER

PreK through 1st

Program & Curriculum

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ACADEMICS

Our Primary Center features a rigorous inquiry-based curriculum focused on outdoor learning and social and soft-skill development. Students explore and learn through real-world experiences and robust art, music, theatre, and physical education programming.



Bookworms English Language Arts Program

Blends whole and small group reading and writing instruction with an emphasis on high-quality fiction and nonfiction texts.



Developing Roots Mathematics Program

Kindergarten Mathematics
Students build a mathematical foundation at the kindergarten level. They explore new concepts through real-world, daily lesson activities.



Singapore Math - Think! Mathematics

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1st Grade Mathematics
Students hone problem-solving skills and apply mathematics in real-world contexts



Outdoor Classroom

Pre-K and Kindergarten

- Curiosity and curriculum drive learning through structured lessons and outdoor exploration.
- JP's Treehouse



Science

- Exploration of physical and environmental sciences through National Geographic's Exploring Science curriculum.
- Primary Center partnership with Lancaster Science Factory.

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ARTS

Theater

Primary Center theater production

Visual Arts

PreK through First Grade

• Student work featured in the annual Spring Art Show



ATHLETICS



Physical Education

Students develop gross motor skills through organized games and team building activities.

Winter Skating

- Kindergarten participates in "Skating with the Head of School." Dr. Hickey joins the students on the ice several times throughout the season.
- Skating in 1st Grade culminates with a performance in the annual Skating Show.

Kindergarten Swimming InstructionSpring swimming lessons at Hockessin Athletic Club.

ATTITUDE

Interdisciplinary Mindfulness instruction in Kindergarten and 1st Grade.

Responsive Classroom Model

Pre-K through 1st

Program integrates academic, social, and emotional learning to create an environment where students can do and be their best.



Bucket Fillers

1st Grade

Curriculum promotes kindness, self-care, resilience, and forgiveness.

