

Kindergarten Curriculum

Soille Hebrew Day School

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Kindergarten is the year children become learners. Reading and writing skills begin to blossom in both English and Hebrew. They follow school routines, while engaging in fun play to master all the new academic skills. Students will master the Hebrew and English alphabet, read short words and sentences, increase their vocabulary, manipulate numbers and discover the world around them. They will learn about kindness, respect and appreciation as they develop friendships to last a life time.

Benchmarks

Hebrew/Judaic

- Understands, retains and applies new Hebrew Vocabulary
- Counts in Hebrew to 10, 15, and 20
- Transfers auditory to written sounds
- Forms letters correctly
- Prints right to left
- Recognize letter and sound of letter
- Pronounce sound of letters and vowels
- Blends sounds to form words
- Introduced to Parshat Hashavua stories and mitzvot
- Participates in prayer
- Recites Brachot before and after food

Reading and Writing

- Knows letter names
- Blends sounds orally
- Identifies/produces rhyming words
- Recognizes beginning, middle and ending sounds; Counts and tracks syllables
- Recognizes simple sight words
- Retells, answers questions and identifies character, setting and key events of a story
- Distinguishes fact from fiction
- Prints left to right
- Forms letters correctly
- Uses upper/lower case appropriately
- Transfers auditory to written sounds
- Prints with spatial perception
- Can write a sample sentence

Math

- Can write numbers 1-20
- Recognizes numerals to 30
- Add to 10
- Subtracts from 10
- Can make/repeat patterns of 10's and 1's
- Can sequence in number order
- Can tell time to the hour and half hour
- Recognizes pennies, nickels, dimes, quarters
- Counts by 1's, 5's, 10's

Social Development

- Engages in cooperative Play
- Respects property/personal space of others
- Adjusts easily to new situations
- Uses appropriate language
- Observes rules and regulations
- Displays self control
- Handles moderate frustrations

Successful Me

- Act in a way that is kind, respectful and appreciative
- Define *friendship* and *bullying*
- Practice 3 ways to be kind to peers
- Practice 3 ways to be respectful to others
- Show flexibility, resilience, and collaboration
- Accomplishes tasks within allotted time
- Able to recall facts

Executive Functioning Skills

- Follow routines
- Complete 2-3 step instructions
- Complete and turn in homework
- Can sit attentively for 15 minutes

Major Milestones/Projects/Events

- Aquarium Field Trip
- Alphabet and alef-bet Celebration
- Thanks-giving performance