



## Academic Overview - Kindergarten

**Bible:** Kindergarten Bible is an overview of the story of God and His people. We include highlights of both Old and New Testaments. Our focus is to include life applications of the learning points of Bible truths. We learn an Alphabet Scripture verse for each letter of the alphabet, and include John 3:16, Isaiah 9:6, Psalm 100 and Psalm 23. Our goal is to emphasise a Christ-like walk and to begin developing a Christian worldview.

Textbooks: *Kindergarten*. Purposeful Design  
*Mini Bible Memory Cards*. A Beka

**Literacy Development:** Students are immersed in a literacy-rich environment. Daily read alouds develop students' listening and comprehension skills and foster a love for reading. Phonics focuses on the sounds/symbol relationships of letters, and the blending of these sounds together into words. Students grow to become independent beginning readers and writers who are encouraged to flourish at their instructional level.

Textbooks: *I Can Write, I Know How to Count and Write*. Purposeful Design  
*I Can Read Book Series*. A Beka

**Math:** The foundation of Kindergarten mathematics is hand-on conceptual development. Students will grasp, through the use of manipulatives and hands-on activities, math concepts being taught. Concrete connections provide the basis for number sense development. Units covered include Classify and Sort, Explore Patterns, Count and Match, Numbers, Shapes, Solids & Equal Parts, Look at Larger numbers, Count Money, Tell Time, Discover Addition, Discover Subtraction, and Measurement.

Textbook: Under review

**Science:** The world in which we live belongs to God, who created and upholds it. We are caretakers of God's earth and must responsibly learn to manage God's resources wisely. In Kindergarten, we emphasize the science of weather, animals and mammals, Harvest in Autumn and planting in Spring. We also include fun facts about Birds.

Textbook: *Science*. Christian School International

**Social Studies:** Students will be introduced to a variety of special events and interesting people in history, becoming familiar with an historical time sequence. Biographical sketches of a variety of Americans of the past are introduced and commemorative events are honored.

**Enrichment Classes:** Art, P.E., Music, Spanish, Library

### Special Activities and Field Trips:

- Apple Orchard/Pumpkin Patch
- Bridgewater Nursing Home
- Veterinarian Animal Clinic

- Quilt Museum
- Discovery Museum
- National Zoo, Washington, D.C.
- 3rd Grade Reading Buddies

**Special in-house visits for letter of the week:**

Banjo Man, Guitar Man, Nurse, etc.