



SAN RAMON VALLEY CHRISTIAN ACADEMY

"A renowned Christian school which transforms lives for God's glory"

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Kindergarten

Bible By studying Old and New Testament heroes of Faith, our students will understand what it means to be in relationship with God. Studies of Jesus' birth, life, death and resurrection will help students understand the importance of Christ's reign in our lives. School-wide activities teach the importance of service and generosity. Emphasis is placed on prayer, worship, and Bible memorization.

Language Arts A phonics-based approach to reading with emphasis placed on special sounds is used in Kindergarten. Through songs, guided practice, thematic literature/ poetry units, and projects, students will master letter and sound recognition as well as independent reading skills. Reading groups of 2-4 students allow students to be challenged at a variety of reading levels. Computer software is used regularly for high-interest reinforcement of concepts. Spelling is integrated with phonics skills. Writing activities with correct pencil grip begins a foundation of proper writing habits.

Math A traditional math program coupled with the integration of hands-on manipulatives allows our kindergarten students to begin the process of math mastery. Number recognition, counting, patterning, classifying, comparing, graphing, time, and money are introduced. Addition and subtraction concepts are explored. Tactile activities allow for free exploration, concept mastery, and connection to use of everyday math.

Science Students are given a multi-sensory approach to science with the use of visual, kinesthetic, and auditory activities. With the teacher's guidance, students become creative problem solvers who imagine possibilities, test ideas, gather information, and make responsible decisions. The senses, weather, plants, animals, land/water, day/night, float/sink, light/heat are units explored.

Social Studies- Kindergarten students begin to learn about the world around them by studying our local community. Guest speakers and field trip activities will enhance their understanding of society and our responsibilities as citizens. Community helpers such as firefighters, police officers, grocers, bankers, medical personnel, teachers, and pastors are discussed. Teachers help students understand that God has gifted each one with a uniqueness that makes him/her valuable to our society.

Enrichment Art, Music, Spanish, Library, Computers and P.E. are all part of the regular kindergarten program. Cooking, instrumental music, centers, and extra projects are offered to those who stay for whole day activities. Students attend field trips to a post office, grocery store, retirement community, library, bike shop and local book store.