

# PREK CURRICULUM OVERVIEW

Monthly concepts are introduced according to seasonal, Biblical and traditional themes and activities at MLPS. Themes are extended through developmentally appropriate learning centers and activities throughout the year. MLPS uses *Healthy Beginnings* and the Maryland State Department of Education (MSDE) *Supporting Every Young Learner* and focuses on all of the domains of learning, (the domains are listed below). These domains of learning are integrated daily through play, teacher-directed activities and child-directed activities. Biblical themes are an essential part of each day and are supplemented with daily prayers, songs and activities.

MONTH	SOCIAL FOUNDATIONS	PHYSICAL WELL-BEING AND MOTOR DEVELOPMENT	THE ARTS	SOCIAL STUDIES BIBLE THEMES	LANGUAGE AND LITERACY	MATHEMATICS	SCIENCE
<b>Year round</b>	The Social Foundations domain is a part of the daily curriculum. Children learn to play, socialize, take turns, resolve conflicts, learn self-control and demonstrate self-confidence.	The Physical Well-Being and Motor Development domain is a part of the daily curriculum. Children learn to move with balance and control through indoor and outdoor play. They learn to perform self-care tasks, develop proper pencil grips, and use eye/hand coordination through cutting, lacing and other activities.	The Arts domain is a part of the daily curriculum. Children explore and use a variety of materials to express ideas. Children participate in music, creative movement, dance and drama.	Fruits of the Spirit – love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, self-control	Review letters and extend vocabulary Word Wall Let's Find Out! Journals & Dictation Easy Readers (as appropriate)		Science A to Z
<b>September</b>				Love & Respect Beginning School Year Family, Friends and Me The Lord's Prayer This Is the World God Made I Can Talk to God Class Rules – Be Kind and Be Safe	Consonants/Beginning Sounds Review Letters A-B Review Letter Recognition Stories & Characters Experience Story Listening Skills Handwriting Introduction	Review Shapes Large/Small Color and Shape BINGO Review Primary and Secondary Colors Color Books Color Mixing Matching More/Less/Same	All About Me My Family Neighborhoods & Communities
<b>October</b>				Joy & Cooperation Transportation Owls, squirrels, spiders Noah Abraham and Sarah Our Big, Big God Jonah	Consonants/Beginning Sounds Review Letter C-F Handwriting – Straight Lines Comprehension Drama	Review Shapes Shapes in God's World Shape Book Putting Together/Adding to Sorting Graphs Opposites	Pumpkins & Apples Parts of a Plant/Seeds Seasons Autumn & Harvest All About Magnets Field Trip Hibernation & Migration

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<b>November</b>				Peace & Friendship Thanksgiving, Pilgrims Native Americans Neighbors and Family Moses Joshua Samuel/Hannah	Consonants/Beginning Sounds Review Letters G-I Story Sequence Handwriting – Straight Lines	Taking Apart/Taking from Number BINGO Tangram Puzzles	Healthy Me, Helpful Choices My Healthy Plate Nutrition & Cooking Magnifying
<b>December</b>				Patience & Generosity Advent Christmas Story Christmas Traditions around the world	Review Beginning Sounds Opposites Review Letters J-K Handwriting – Vertical Lines	Paper Chain Patterns Distance -- Near/Far	Manger Animals – Sheep, Camels, Donkeys Making Cookies Stars
<b>January</b>				Kindness & Acceptance The New Year People and Animals in Winter Jesus the Boy Jesus in the Temple 12 Disciples Jesus Feeds 5,000	Phonics Review Letters L-N Winter Stories Retelling a Story Handwriting – Vertical Lines Sight Words	Ordering Fractions	Seasons Winter Weather Animals that Hibernate or Migrate
<b>February</b>				Goodness & Honesty Valentine’s Day Presidents Jesus Loves Me Jesus’ Miracles Globes & Maps	Author, Illustrator, Publisher Favorite Book Fridays Review Letters O-R Handwriting – Curved Lines	Guess/Estimate Three-Part Problems More Graphs	Dental Hygiene God’s Beautiful World -- Ecosystems Groundhog Day
<b>March</b>				Faithfulness & Perseverance St. Patrick’s Day Jesus Heals, Zacchaeus Wise and Foolish Man Transportation	Nursery Rhymes Review Letters S-W Dinosaurs A to Z Foreign Language Handwriting – Curved Lines	Ten Frames Counting by 10’s Measurement	Dinosaurs Weather – Storms, Tornadoes, Hurricanes Lion and Lamb Days
<b>April</b>				Gentleness & Compassion Palm Sunday Easter Timothy God’s Animals on the Farm Spring Planting	Handwriting – Curved Lines Review Letters X-Z Earth Books	Counting by 5’s Number Lines Money Values	Spring & New Life Taking Care of Planet Earth Recycle/Conserve Don’t Pollute
<b>May</b>				Self-Control & Responsibility Jesus Is My Special Friend Mothers and Children Jesus Loves the Little Children	Review Mothers’ Day Tea	Review	Insects