

Sacred Heart School

Social Studies

Pre-Kindergarten

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The Social Studies program is designed to introduce the students to the world around them, including family, friends, school and the community. Holidays, customs, and traditions of families will be discussed to help the students understand the importance of these events and encourage the students to embrace the uniqueness and diversity of the world around them.

Course Content:

- Inquiry – identify self as an individual; identify family members
- Time, Continuity and Change – day; night; yesterday; today; tomorrow; next
- People, Places and Environment – transportation; community helpers; neighborhoods
- Individual Development and Identity – being part of a family; customs and traditions
- Individuals, Groups and Institutions – play cooperatively; responsibilities; friendships
- Power, Authority, and Governance – cooperative problem solving; choices and consequences; classroom rules
- Production, Distribution and Consumption – taking care of the environment and natural resources

Course Materials:

- The InvestiGator Club Prekindergarten Learning System-
- Variety of books
- Pictures
- Globe and maps
- Manipulatives
- Art materials
- Songs

Instructional Strategies

- Whole group and small group instruction
- Hands-on activities
- Guided exploration
- Modeling
- Role playing
- Discussion

Assessment:

- Active participation
- Observation
- Completed projects