

## UNIQUE CLASSES

{these classes are an important part of our Curriculum and are included in your tuition payments }

### Handwriting Without Tears

At Disciples, we have chosen to use the curriculum “Handwriting Without Tears”. It was developed by Jan Olsen and Emily Knapton who are occupational therapists. This curriculum is a research based program that is developmentally appropriate, uses hands-on multisensory materials and experiences, and addresses different learning styles. Throughout the year children will progress through many themes which include: drawing, alphabet knowledge, colors & coloring, writing, and counting & numbers. We have found this approach to handwriting instruction to be both effective and developmentally appropriate for preschoolers.

For more information, check out their website [www.getsetforschool.com](http://www.getsetforschool.com)

### Spanish

Our Spanish class is for the K3's and K4's and is held every Tuesday & Wednesday for 30 minutes. They will sing songs and take part in fun activities to learn colors, numbers, objects, food etc. They will also study cultural events and useful expressions to communicate.

Queridos Padres o Guardianes legales, ¡Hola! Soy su maestra de Español Señora Alice Gotes. Estoy muy contenta de volver a ver a sus hijos y/o conocer a los recien ingresados.

Este año escolar vamos a cantar canciones y tener actividades muy divertidas para aprender colores, números, objetos, comida, etc. También estudiaremos eventos culturales y expresiones útiles para comunicarse.

¡Va a ser un gran año escolar!

### Music

All classes break out for a 30 minute Music class every Wednesday & Thursday (in addition to Music being offered in the classroom). Through singing, playing instruments, creative movement, dancing and playing singing games we will work on refining both large and small motor skills, social skills, memory skills, sequencing skills and language development. During Music class the children will be exposed to singing, dancing, musical instruments and instruction.

### Art

All classes break out for a 30 minute Art class each week (in addition to Art being offered in the classroom). The goal for this class is to help your child develop creativity. Because children need time, space and materials to realize their creative potential, our classroom is set up to support exploration and problem solving. We will learn the elements of fine art and then figure out how to put these elements together. Remember to always wear play clothes!

## OPTIONAL CLASSES

{these classes are conducted by outside companies and will be billed separately}

### Computer Classes

*Computer Pals is an optional program. Whether your child is about to turn three or getting ready to enter kindergarten next fall you will find the Computer Pals' program a welcome addition to their learning experience. This program will teach your child correct basic computer and tablet skills, parts, computer ethics, socialization skills and much more in a fun and exciting way using the best of the best in educational software. New for this school year is their "Preschool Introduction to Programing and Coding".*

*Through this program your child will soon discover the computer and tablet are wonderful tools that are made for more than just playing games. With this discovery it will spark your child's imagination, get their creative juices flowing and open up a whole new work of creativity and learning for them. Computer Pals is proud to have been asked twice by Clemson University to address its in-service educators. Children 2 years and 10 months old and older are eligible to attend this program.*

### Roller Skating Class

This class is for 3s and 4s every Friday. Angela Pitts, of Roller Time Skating Academy, says "It's her goal as instructor to build children's self-esteem, self-awareness, and coordination utilizing a multi-sensory approach in skating instruction". Students are instructed using verbal directions, visual demonstration, and one-on-one hands on instruction as needed. Skates are provided.

### Amazing Athlethes

Teaching children ages older 2s, 3s & 4s Life Skills through Sports. It teaches the basic fundamentals of 10 sports (Football, Hockey, Lacrosse, Golf, Baseball, Basketball, Tennis, Volleyball, Trak & Field, Soccer). It helps with Motor Skills (Balancing, Running, Catching, Throwing, Kicking, Jumping)