

Kindergarten/ First Grade Goals and Themes

The goal of our program is to provide a nurturing environment that facilitates and promotes each individual child's physical, cognitive, and social-emotional growth. We believe that children learn best through meaningful, hands-on experiences. We will provide the materials and learning activities that encourage the children to develop and use their emerging skills. Each child enters school with a unique style and varying capabilities. We consider each child's strengths and encourage him/her to use and extend these skills. We create a warm and safe environment where children can grow happily and become life-long learners. Children are naturally curious and have an innate passion for mastery and competence. In our K/1 classroom, we value the individual success of each child and celebrate everything they have to offer!

K/1 Learning Themes:

- *Butterflies and life cycles
 - *Harvest and seeds
- *Communities and leadership
- *Holiday traditions around the world
 - *Farming
 - *Weather and seasons
 - *Plant and animal needs
 - *Forces- pushes and pulls
 - *Light/shadows & sound
 - *Maps and globes
- *Goods & services, and wants & needs
- *Unity and diversity in the United States

