

Primary Year-Long Curriculum

August – All About Me

- Practical Life: mirror washing, personal care routines.
- Sensorial: body part matching, texture of skin/hair.
- Language: writing names, family vocabulary.
- Math: measuring height, graphing birthdays.
- Science/Cultural: family tree exploration, where I live map.
- Food: favorite snack prep, birthday baking.
- Gross Motor: yoga body awareness, “follow the leader” with body parts.
- Art: “All About Me” books, handprint painting, family drawing.
- Music: favorite songs sharing circle, body percussion games.

September – Farm, Animals & Nutrition

- Practical Life: milking (sponges/water), egg washing, barn sweeping.
- Sensorial: sound bottles (animal sounds), wool/cotton sorting.
- Language: farm nomenclature, food group vocabulary.
- Math: measuring grain, skip counting animals.
- Science/Cultural: farm to table process, food pyramid.
- Food: butter churning, making bread.
- Gross Motor: animal movement charades (hop, gallop, crawl).
- Art: animal masks, farm mural, vegetable stamping.
- Music: farm songs (“Old MacDonald”), rhythm games with animal sounds.

October – Creepy Crawlers, Bones & Harvest

- Practical Life: pumpkin carving/hammering with safe tools, corn husking, sewing cards.
 - Sensorial: insect classification cards, sorting skeleton parts (big/small, long/short).
 - Language: insect nomenclature, beginning phonetic sounds (b–bone, p–pumpkin).
 - Math: counting and classifying insects, odd/even pumpkin seeds.
 - Science/Cultural: vertebrates vs. invertebrates, life cycle of pumpkin, skeleton models.
 - Food: roasting pumpkin seeds, making applesauce.
 - Gross Motor: insect movement relay (crawl like spider, hop like grasshopper), wheelbarrow races.
 - Art: insect stamping, bone rubbings, pumpkin painting.
 - Music: insect rhythm chants, autumn songs with percussion (shakers, sticks).
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November – Gratitude, Kitchen, Leaves

- Practical Life: food prep (bread kneading, chopping vegetables), leaf sweeping.
 - Sensorial: leaf rubbings, leaf shapes sorting.
 - Language: thank-you notes, seasonal poems, beginning word building (leaf, corn).
 - Math: measuring ingredients, leaf graphing by color.
 - Science/Cultural: tree parts, composting, importance of gratitude in world cultures.
 - Food: family recipe share, soup making.
 - Gross Motor: nature walks with leaf collection, group cooperative games.
 - Art: leaf rubbings, nature collages, clay bowls.
 - Music: songs of thanks, rhythm instruments while preparing food.
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December – Hibernation, Winter Clothing, Holidays Around the World

- Practical Life: button, snap, zipper frames; polishing shoes; gift wrapping.
 - Sensorial: fabric matching (wool, cotton, fleece), temperature bottles.
 - Language: hibernation vocabulary, holiday tradition stories, phonetic games.
 - Math: calendar counting to holidays, patterning with festive shapes.
 - Science/Cultural: hibernating vs. migrating animals, holiday map exploration.
 - Food: baking holiday cookies, cultural food tasting.
 - Gross Motor: “animal hibernation” yoga, snowball toss (beanbags).
 - Art: winter landscape painting, cultural holiday crafts.
 - Music: global holiday songs, animal hibernation sound exploration.
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January – Winter, Arctic Tundra, Snow Animals

- Practical Life: ice cutting, transferring with tongs, snow shoveling.
- Sensorial: shades of white and blue color grading, sound games with frozen materials.
- Language: phonogram words (snow, sled, seal), winter poetry.
- Math: measuring snow (cups, pints), skip counting with penguin counters.
- Science/Cultural: Arctic vs. Antarctic maps, adaptations of polar animals.
- Food: making oatmeal, warming soups.
- Gross Motor: penguin waddling races, skating/sled pulling activities.
- Art: watercolor snowflakes, penguin crafts, polar bear pastels.
- Music: “freeze dance,” exploring soft/loud sounds like blizzards vs. calm snow.

February – Family, Friendship, Kindness, Black History Month

- Practical Life: flower arranging, care of classroom plants, gift-making.
 - Sensorial: matching emotions cards, heart shape grading.
 - Language: writing Valentine cards, beginning sentence building, biographies.
 - Math: graphing favorite friends/foods, heart symmetry work.
 - Science/Cultural: biographies of Black leaders, skin-tone mixing with paints.
 - Food: fruit salad together, family recipe share.
 - Gross Motor: partner games, cooperative parachute play.
 - Art: portrait drawing, collage of friends, quilt project inspired by Black artists.
 - Music: songs about love and friendship, African drumming/rhythm patterns.
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March – Spring Weather, Rainbows

- Practical Life: mopping water spills, washing windows.
- Sensorial: rainbow color grading, sound of rain sticks.
- Language: weather vocabulary, dictating rain stories.
- Math: measuring rainfall, sequencing rainbow colors.
- Science/Cultural: water cycle experiment, seed sprouting.
- Food: rainbow vegetable platters, smoothie making.
- Gross Motor: jump rope “rain,” rainbow hopscotch.
- Art: rainbow weaving, raindrop paintings, spring mural.
- Music: rainstick exploration, “pitter-patter” rhythm play.

April – Garden, Flowers, Recycling, Earth Day

- Practical Life: planting and watering, recycling sorting.
 - Sensorial: smelling jars (herbs, flowers), soil texture sorting.
 - Language: parts of flower nomenclature, recycling words.
 - Math: counting petals, measuring plant growth.
 - Science/Cultural: butterfly life cycle, recycling and conservation.
 - Food: garden-to-table snacks, juicing fruits.
 - Gross Motor: digging, wheelbarrow pushing, insect movement tag.
 - Art: flower pressing, recycled art sculptures, garden murals.
 - Music: Earth Day songs, movement to “insect music” with xylophones.
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May – Five Senses, Emotions

- Practical Life: self-care (brushing teeth, combing hair), polishing mirrors.
- Sensorial: sound cylinders, taste jars, smell bottles.
- Language: sense-related vocabulary, feelings stories.
- Math: graphing senses (favorite taste, smell), matching body part to function.
- Science/Cultural: brain and body connection, cultural expressions of emotion.
- Food: taste-testing (sweet, salty, sour, bitter).
- Gross Motor: sensory obstacle course (crawl, jump, balance).
- Art: self-portraits with expressive colors, textured collages.
- Music: emotion-based music listening, movement games (“move like happy/sad music”).

June – Oceans & Outer Space

- Practical Life: shell washing, pouring blue water.
 - Sensorial: rough/smooth shells, sound bottles with ocean sounds.
 - Language: sea creature nomenclature, space vocabulary.
 - Math: counting seashells, solar system sequencing.
 - Science/Cultural: ocean layers, planets and stars, space exploration.
 - Food: seaweed snack tasting, making “galaxy” fruit salad.
 - Gross Motor: dolphin jumps, astronaut slow-motion walks.
 - Art: clay sea creatures, galaxy painting with sponges.
 - Music: whale song listening, space music with bells/drums.
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July – Community Helpers & Transportation

- Practical Life: cleaning like helpers, polishing boots, washing toy vehicles.
- Sensorial: textures of uniforms/tools, sound matching (sirens).
- Language: helper biographies, transportation vocabulary.
- Math: counting wheels, sorting vehicles.
- Science/Cultural: local helpers, maps of transportation around the world.
- Food: bakery role play, snack delivery prep.
- Gross Motor: firefighter crawl, police chase tag, “drive” scooter track.
- Art: painting community helper portraits, vehicle prints with wheels.
- Music: marching songs, rhythm games imitating vehicle sounds.

Montessori Primary Year-Long Curriculum Plan

Month	Practical Life	Sensorial	Language	Math	Science/ Cultural	Food	Gross Motor	Art	Music
August	Mirror washing, personal care	Body part matching, textures	Writing names, family vocabulary	Measuring height, birthday graphing	Family tree, where I live map	Favorite snack prep, birthday baking	Yoga body awareness, follow the leader	All About Me books, handprint art	Favorite song sharing, body percussion
September	Egg washing, barn sweeping	Animal sound bottles, wool/cotton sorting	Farm animal and food group words	Measuring grain, animal skip counting	Farm to table, food pyramid	Butter churning, bread making	Animal movement charades	Animal masks, vegetable stamping	Farm songs, animal rhythm games
October	Pumpkin carving with safe tools, corn husking, sewing cards	Insect classification cards, sorting skeleton parts	Insect nomenclature, phonetic sounds (b–bone, p–pumpkin)	Counting/classifying insects, odd/even pumpkin seeds	Vertebrates vs invertebrates, pumpkin life cycle, skeleton models	Roasting pumpkin seeds, making applesauce	Insect movement relay, wheelbarrow races	Insect stamping, bone rubbings, pumpkin painting	Insect rhythm chants, autumn songs with percussion
November	Food prep (bread kneading, chopping vegetables), leaf sweeping	Leaf rubbings, leaf shape sorting	Thank-you notes, seasonal poems, beginning word building	Measuring ingredients, leaf graphing by color	Tree parts, composting, gratitude traditions	Family recipe share, soup making	Nature walks with leaf collection, cooperative games	Leaf rubbings, nature collages, clay bowls	Songs of thanks, rhythm instruments during food prep

December	Button, snap, zipper frames; polishing shoes; gift wrapping	Fabric matching (wool, cotton), temperature bottles	Hibernation vocabulary, holiday tradition stories	Calendar counting, holiday patterning	Hibernating vs migrating animals, holiday map work	Holiday cookies, cultural food tasting	Animal hibernation yoga, snowball beanbag toss	Winter landscapes, holiday crafts	Global holiday songs, hibernation sound play
January	Ice cutting, transferring with tongs, snow shoveling	Color grading (white/blue), frozen sound bottles	Phonogram words (snow, sled), winter poetry	Measuring snow, skip counting penguin counters	Arctic vs Antarctic maps, animal adaptations	Oatmeal, warming soups	Penguin waddling races, sled pulling	Snowflake painting, penguin crafts	Freeze dance, snowstorm vs calm music
February	Flower arranging, plant care, gift-making	Emotions cards, heart grading	Valentine cards, sentence building, biographies	Graphing favorites, heart symmetry work	Black leaders biographies, skin-tone art	Fruit salad, family recipes	Partner games, parachute play	Portraits, friendship collages, quilt project	Songs of love/friendship, African drumming patterns
March	Mopping spills, washing windows	Rainbow grading, rainstick sounds	Weather vocabulary, rain stories	Measuring rainfall, sequencing rainbow colors	Water cycle experiment, seed sprouting	Rainbow vegetable platters, smoothies	Jump rope rain, rainbow hopscotch	Rainbow weaving, spring mural	Rainstick play, rhythm rain songs
April	Planting, watering, recycling sorting	Herb smell jars, soil textures	Parts of flower, recycling words	Counting petals, measuring plant growth	Butterfly cycle, conservation lessons	Garden snacks, juicing fruits	Digging, wheelbarrow pushing	Flower pressing, recycled art	Earth Day songs, insect xylophone music

May	Self-care, polishing mirrors	Sound cylinders, taste jars, smell bottles	Sense vocabulary, emotion stories	Graphing senses, matching body part functions	Brain-body connection, cultural emotions	Taste-testing activities	Sensory obstacle course	Self-portraits, textured collages	Emotion music listening, movement to moods
June	Shell washing, water pouring	Rough/smooth shells, ocean sounds	Sea creature and space vocabulary	Counting shells, sequencing planets	Ocean layers, solar system exploration	Seaweed snacks, galaxy fruit salad	Dolphin jumps, astronaut walks	Clay sea creatures, galaxy painting	Whale songs, space soundscapes
July	Cleaning tools, polishing boots, washing vehicles	Uniform textures, siren sounds	Helper biographies, transport vocabulary	Counting wheels, sorting vehicles	Helpers worldwide, transportation maps	Bakery play, snack delivery	Firefighter crawl, scooter vehicle track	Helper portraits, wheel prints	Marching songs, vehicle rhythm games