



## Pre-K Red & Yellow Groups August Curriculum

Welcome to school, all about me, familiarize with the environment,  
Classroom rules & routines, summer fruits, ocean

### Social Studies/Health & Safety

Introduction to:

- School, classroom and playground environments
- Classroom rules and schedules, understanding where things belong
- Friendship, feelings and emotions
- Social skills like sharing, helping, greeting, using the words “please” and “thank you”
- All about me, my family, hygiene, safety, and hand washing

### Language Arts/Literacy

Introduction to:

- Circle time, calendar and weather
- Story time about separation
- Read stories about first day of school, Puppet show
- August Armenian monthly songs and poems

### Math/Science & Cooking

- Shape: Circle
- Color: Blue
- Sizes: Small, Medium and Large
- Season/Weather changes: hot, warm, cold, windy
- Ocean: sail boats, sailors, fishermen, sea animals, sand
- Introduction to summer fruits

### Physical Development

- **Gross Motor:** Walk in straight line, follow the leader, marching, running around the circle
- **Fine Motor:** Playing with sand, play dough
- **Music/Movement:** Songs and finger plays related to back to school; dancing, jumping in and out of circle, practice listening skills

### Arts & Crafts

- Introduction to the proper use of: glue, crayons, scissors, paint etc... (water color, sea shell collages and finger prints)



## **Pre-K Red & Yellow Groups September Curriculum**

### **Social Studies/ Health & Safety**

- Self help skills such as use of spoon, fork, and dressing
- Communicating with teachers and children, using our words to ask the teacher for help
- Review indoor and outdoor safety rules
- Armenian Independence Day
- Respecting the Armenian and American Flags
- Character values: friendship, sharing & respecting
- Visit from Police Officer

### **Language Arts/ Literacy**

- Encouraging communication skills through storytelling, puppet show and circle time.
- September songs, poems and finger plays
- Introduce the Armenian alphabet letter “Աա” and the English letter “Aa”
- Fall season: all about fall, trees, leaves, change of weather
- Introduction to the five senses: see, hear, taste, smell and touch

### **Math/Science & Cooking**

- Introduce numbers 1 & 2
- Color: Red
- Shape: Circle
- Spatial Awareness: Top/bottom, up/down, above/below
- Talk about different kind and colored apples
- Matching apples by sizes, colors, counting apple seeds
- Peeling, tasting apples, and apple sauce

### **Physical Development**

- Gross Motor: Climbing, sliding down, jumping, running, throw and catch balls
- Fine Motor: Introduction the proper way of holding a crayon
- Music/Movement: Sing and play with Parachute, Circle dance

### **Arts and Crafts**

- Creating finger print apple trees and art activities using real leaves



## Pre-K Red & Yellow Groups October Curriculum

### Social Studies/Health & Safety

- Introduction to the Armenian culture, songs, music, musical instruments, handcraft
- Character values: Respect each other, sharing and caring
- Fire Safety, and Emergency call 911
- Columbus Day
- Halloween-School Parade
- Visit from Fire Department

### Language Arts/Literacy

- Celebrate Armenian Cultural Month: Mesrob Mashtots,
- Armenian tales by Hovhannes Tumanian, storytelling
- October monthly songs and poems
- Introduce the Armenian Alphabet letter “Բբ” and the English letter “Bb”
- Engage children to retell stories and ask questions
- Firefighters and safety signs/ community helpers; fire and earthquake drills

### Math/Science & Cooking

- Introduce number 3
- Shapes: Square
- Colors: Black & orange
- Concepts of wet and dry, long and short
- Introduction to patterns by size
- Introduce and taste fall fruits: orange, pomegranates, pears, persimmons
- Carve pumpkin – observe, smell, touch and taste
- Make orange Jell-O

### Physical Development

- Gross Motor: Exercising, walk on tiptoes, jumping, climbing, running. Play with balls.
  - Crawl, drop and roll (emergency preparedness)
- Fine Motor: Clapping, cutting, pasting
- Music/Movement: Circle dance, Armenian songs, finger plays
  - “Four Seasons” by Antonio Vivaldi. Make music by clapping hands,
  - Introduction to Armenian folk instruments

### Arts & Crafts

- Creating Fall collages, pumpkins, finger paint, sponge paint and stamp



## Pre-K Red & Yellow Groups November Curriculum

### Social Studies/Health & Safety

- The story of the Native Americans and pilgrims
- Introduction to different ways of transportation in the past and present
- Introduction to traffic signs: Green, Yellow, Red lights
- Character values: Give thanks, love, kindness and sharing

### Language Arts/Literacy

- Learn this month's Armenian songs and poems
- Story of Native Americans & Pilgrims.
- Story of First Thanksgiving & Stone Soup
- All about fall & harvest
- Introduce the Armenian Alphabet letter “Գգ”, and the English letter “Cc”

### Math/ Science & Cooking

- Introduction to Number 4
- Concept of cold and warm, heavy and light
- How to weigh items using scales
- Sorting, counting, matching
- Shapes: Triangle
- Colors: Yellow & brown
- Fruits/vegetables: Corn, yam, pears, carrots, potatoes
- Wash and cut vegetables with plastic knives for Stone Soup

### Physical Development

- Gross Motor: Walk forward on a line, exercising, jumping, climbing, running, practice catching a soft ball with two hands
- Fine Motor: Cutting vegetables with plastic knives,
- Music/ Movement: Loud and soft sound, make sounds using hands and feet (clap & stomp)
  - Musical instruments – drums, finger plays
  - Train ride sounds: wheels on the bus...

### Arts & Crafts

- Shapes, feathers, corns, leaves, acorns and colored macaroni. Make a turkey with different art materials.



## Pre-K Red & Yellow Groups December Curriculum

### Social Studies/Health& Safety

- Celebration of Armenian Christmas and New Year
- Birth of Jesus, the Nativity Story
- Character values: loving, giving & sharing
- Visit from Mail carrier

### Language Arts/ Literacy

- Learn this month's Armenian songs and poems.
- Books about Christmas, New Year, Santa Clause, & Reindeer.
- Puppet show "Nutcracker"
- Mail boxes, send letters to Santa
- Have children retell the stories
- Introduction to the Armenian Alphabet letter "Դդ" and the English letter "Dd"

### Math/Science & Cooking

- Introduce number 5, practice counting 1-10
- Colors: green, gold, silver
- Shape: Star
- Plants: evergreen, pine cones, poinsettia
- Winter season: cold, snow, ice, freeze
- Make Christmas cookies, red and green jell-o; dried fruits (cheer oo chamich)

### Physical Development

- Gross Motor: Play with balls (throw and catch a ball, run and kick a ball) jumping over a rope, crawl through a tunnel.
- Fine Motor: Small muscle development by using scissors, stringing large beads, cutting and pasting
- Music & Movement: Songs, poems and finger plays related to this month's theme. Musical instruments different types of bells, "Freeze" dance

### Arts & Crafts

- Decorate Christmas tree with a variety of holiday props, monthly colors and shapes



## Pre-K Red & Yellow Groups January Curriculum

### Social Studies/Health & Safety

- Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Birthday
- Chinese New Year
- Seasonal changes, clothing
- Introduction to body parts/awareness
- Character values: Patience/waiting for turn, cooperation & fairness

### Language Arts/Literacy

- Learn this month's Armenian songs and poems
- Introduction to the Armenian Alphabet letter “ԵԵ”, and the English letter “Ee”
- Literature of winter, snow, snowflakes, snowman, igloo, penguins, polar bears
- Animals and hibernation
- Offer children opportunities to draw shapes as early writing skills

### Math/Science & Cooking

- Introduction to Number 6, practice counting 1-20
- Colors: Blue and White
- Shapes: rectangle-----Senses: review
- Concept of cold and hot
- Grouping things into categories
- Hands on with ice cubes, melting, freezing and condensation of water and ice
- Animals that hibernate - bears
- Make “blue & white” snack: yogurt with blueberries, cracker with cream cheese and white pudding

### Physical Development

- Gross Motor: Different jumping skills, penguin walk, marching
- Fine Motor: Play dough, cutting, pasting, rolling a paper, using tweezers for cotton balls
- Music and Movement: Freeze dance, move fast and slow

### Arts & Crafts

- Cotton balls and different art materials
- Ice painting & snowflake art. Finger paint with monthly theme colors
- Food art: macaroni, cereals, white rice



## Pre-K Red & Yellow Groups February Curriculum

### Social Studies/Health & Safety

- Vartan Mamigonian , history of Avarayr battle
- Soldiers: past, present
- Poon Paregentan and history
- Children’s Dental Month; dental hygiene and dentist visits children
- Identify the different kind of feelings and emotions
- Valentine’s day
- Character values: Respect, love & care



### Language Arts/ Literacy

- Learn this month’s Armenian songs and poems
- Read stories about brave Vartan, Paregentan (carnival), Valentine’s day, emotions, heart
- Introduce the Armenian Alphabet letter “ՉԳ”, and the English letter Ff”
- Dinosaurs, elephants

### Math/Science & Cooking

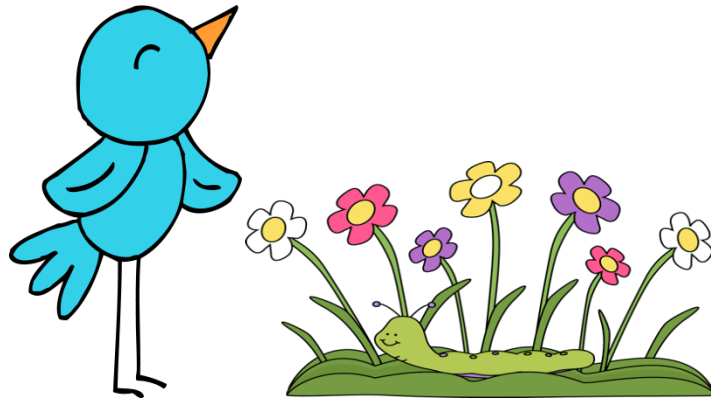
- Introduction to number 7, practice counting 1-25
- Colors: red, pink (mix red and white), purple (mix red and blue)
- Shapes: heart
- Concept: more and less, pairing & matching items that belong together
- Learn about the solar system
- Bake heart shape cookies
- Provide different scents: flower, fruit, cinnamon, onion etc...
- Healthy foods/ taste red and pink fruits: strawberries, raspberries, apples
- Fossils and rocks

### Physical Development

- Gross Motor: Catching and kicking a ball, bean bag throw
- Fine Motor: Cutting, pasting, playing with sand, using sewing cards
- Music/ Movements: Listening skills, clap and stomp foot together (right & left)  
Monthly songs and finger plays. Follow the leader, musical chair, elephant walk

### Arts & Crafts

- Provide opportunities for children to draw shapes as early writing skills
- Drawing with white, red and pink chalk
- Collage of hearts, decorating masks (for Paregentan)



## Pre-K Red & Yellow Groups March Curriculum

### Social Studies/Health & Safety

- St. Patrick's day
- Dr. Seuss's birthday
- Easter if it's in March
- Spring time, changes of weather
- Farm, farmer, farming
- Pajama day
- Character values: Faith & respect

### Language Arts/ Literacy

- Spring, Farm, Weather, Pets
- Storytelling, puppet show about spring, change of weather, farm animals, circus & clowns
- Introduce the Armenian Alphabet letter “ԷԷ” and the English letter “Gg”
- Rhyming and opposite words

### Math/Science & Cooking

- Color: green (mix blue and yellow)
- Introduction to number 8, practice counting 1-30
- Shape: diamond
- Concepts: wide and narrow, low and high, half and full
- Magnets
- Changes of weather: rain, wind, storm
- Taste green fruits and vegetables, make green Jell-O
- Make pancakes (discuss ingredients)

### Physical Development

- Gross Motor: Flying kites, jumping on one foot, hopping
- Fine Motor: Puzzles, manipulative activities, using magnets
- Music & Movement: Monthly songs, Listening skills –identify sounds

### Arts & Crafts

- Yarns, colorful cotton balls & paper plates





## Pre-K Red & Yellow Groups April Curriculum

### Social Studies/Health & Safety

- Easter: the meaning of Զատիկ (Easter) and how we celebrate this Holiday
- Earth day: learn about keeping the Earth and the environment clean/recycling.
- Armenian Commemoration day (April 24): we speak Armenian, we love Armenia
- Diversity in our community, respect each other
- Spring time; nature around us (trees give us clean air)

### Language Arts/ Literacy

- Learn this month's Armenian songs and poems
- Introduce the Armenian Alphabet letter “Հը” and the English letter “Hh”
- Birds and nature
- Books and stories about Easter, planet Earth, bugs, Armenian Commemoration Day (April 24)
- Puppet show related to monthly themes

### Math/Science & Cooking

- Introduction to number 9, practice counting 1-40
- Colors: rainbow colors
- Shapes: oval
- Senses: review
- Concepts: dry and wet
- Learn about the life cycle of the butterfly
- Learn and explore the characteristics of insects, bugs, and butterflies
- Physical environment of Earth: mountains, rivers, lakes, oceans etc...
- Make Easter cookies, Coloring eggs
- Planting seeds, watering, learn and watch how plants grow

### Physical development

- Gross Motor: Walking, running, nature walk, egg hunt, throwing and catching balls
- Fine Motor: Lacing, using play dough for making different objects, cutting, pasting
- Music & Movements: Marching, make music by clapping hands, learn Armenian Folkloric dance, identifying and predicting, whispering, talking, shouting and singing voices and sounds

### Arts & Crafts

- Draw shapes as early writing skills/ shapes, colors, feathers, tissue papers



## Pre-K Red & Yellow Groups May/June Curriculum

### Social Studies/Health & Safety

- Mother's Day and Grandparents Day
- Armenian Independence Day and history
- Zoo animals and veterinarians
- Character value: cooperation

### Language Arts/ Literacy

- Learn monthly songs and poems, prepare for Year End Hantes
- Introduction to the Armenian Alphabet letter “Թթ” and the English letter “Tt”
- Storytelling, puppet show related to Monthly themes
- Sun, sunflowers, bees

### Math/Science & Cooking

- Numbers: introduction to number 10 and review numbers 1 to 10
- Colors: Red, Blue, Orange and review all colors
- Shapes: review all basic shapes
- Review direction concepts such as forward, backward, around, through, across, up & down
- Review position concepts: in- out, top- bottom, off- on
- Sun & moon, day and night
- Concepts: light & heavy
- Make a fruit salad with summer fruits

### Physical Development

- Gross Motor: Running fast and slow, stretching, hopping, exercising, walking,
- Fine Motor: Cutting, tearing, gluing, playing with sand
- Music & Movements: Monthly songs and finger plays  
Musical Instruments: maracas

### Arts & Crafts

- Water paint (using small brushes), pastel, and sensory collages.
- Making summer fruit patterns