



PERIMETER SCHOOL
A Covenant Christian Community

Rising Pre-First Information



Our Curriculum:

Language Arts - Understanding the developmental needs of pre-first grade students, our language arts program allows them to develop a very solid foundation in phonics through an emphasis on phonemic awareness, letter-sound recognition, and sight words. Our carefully selected handwriting program allows the pre-first student to continue to develop critical small muscles for success in writing. All along the way, classic children's literature is our basis for rich experiences in science, history, and life!

Math - Our math program enables all children to develop a solid foundation in the language and basic concepts of all areas of math. Our math instruction emphasizes conceptual understanding while reinforcing procedural practice. It also helps students to develop their reasoning before connecting to concepts and skills. New ideas are presented in increments, with time provided between increments for practice. It progresses at a pace that allows children to develop competence and confidence. Some of the concepts we explore include patterning, graphing, telling time to the hour, measuring and weighing objects, solid figures, symmetrical designs, and two-choice surveys.

Bible - In addition to our Bible readings, Bible truths are incorporated into everything we experience! We memorize the school memory passage, as well as verses that are relevant to what we are learning.

Our Methods:

- "Book of the Week"
- Saxon Phonics
- INTO Math

- Handwriting Without Tears
- Free Centers
- PEARL Rules
- Habit-Development
- School Bible Verse Memorization

Our Developmental Philosophy:

Thank you for granting your child the “gift of time!” It is the best present you could ever give. Each child is uniquely gifted, and this time allows each child’s gifts and personality to flourish on an individual timeline.

“All children are different: there is no ‘normal’ age when the child is ‘ready.’ And the speed of mastery will vary enormously. [Learning] should be carried out in a friendly, quiet, regular, and structured way. Being allowed to learn at their own speed, the children taught by Charlotte Mason were happy with their mastery of skills.”

- Susan Schaeffer Macaulay

“Bring me a child ... who loves to learn ... and I can teach him anything.”

- Douglas Wilson

“... and Jesus grew in wisdom and in stature, and in favor with God and men.”

- Luke 2:52 (a rare glimpse into the childhood of Jesus)

Our PEARL of Wisdom
Politeness·Example·Attitude·Respect·Listen