

Units of Study  
Three-year-olds  
Wee Learn Curriculum

- I come to preschool
- I make friends at preschool
- I am special
- I learn through my senses
- My family is special
- My community has helpers
- I can discover autumn
- I have favorite toys
- Christmas is special
- I like church
- I can discover Winter
- I can be healthy
- I can express my feelings
- I can care for my world
- I can discover spring
- I see changes in the weather
- Pets need care
- Farmers help us
- Animals live in homes too
- I can go many places
- We can grow a garden

In addition to the above listed units of study, we will be working with the children on the following skills:

Cognitive

1. Compare sizes – extends matching concept to size, as big or little. “Show me the little block,” “the big block.”
2. Counts three – extends concept of counting to three. “Hand me three pieces of candy from the bowl.” May rote count beyond this.
3. Dramatizes – acts out singly, or with others, simple stories, Mother Goose rhymes, characters, and scenes.
4. Uses plurals
5. Converses in short sentences, answers questions, gives information, repeats, uses language to convey simple ideas.

6. Sings
7. Knows name – gives first and last name.
8. Names picture and tells actions – names pictures, or on request tells the action (“Baby is sleeping.”), or can identify the usage of things in the pictures (“Show me the one you wear.”)

#### Social and Emotional

9. Plays beside – plays singly with sustained interest alongside or among other children, adults, pets, or belongings with little disturbance or disturbing.
10. Plays with – interacts with another child or children. Interpersonal play with other children, pets, or adults.
11. Helps at little household tasks or errands.
12. Knows and relates to own sex – can respond correctly to “are you a little boy or a little girl?” Relates and acts accordingly.

#### Motor Skills

13. Assembles – puts simple parts together not requiring much mechanical skill (puzzles, toys).
14. Builds – uses simple building blocks, color blocks, construction toys. Shows imagination.
15. Copies circle. Draws a circle, usually from copy.
16. Builds tower – stacks blocks eight high in imitation of one you do.
17. Jumps in place – does so on command or in imitation. Jumps on both feet.
18. Walks downstairs one step per tread.
19. Balances on one foot for one second.
20. Throws ball purposely overhand. Distance, directions, and accuracy not essential, but should be more than grossly random.

#### Hygiene and Self-Help

21. Is toilet trained. Exercises bladder and bowel control.
22. Uses toilet alone. Cares for self at toilet (goes to toilet alone without help, knows papering). Pulls up and pulls down own clothes but may require help.
23. Dresses – puts on coat or dress with help on hard parts but need not button.
24. Puts on shoes – verbal directions permitted.
25. Feeds self alone.
26. Washes and dries hands acceptably and unaided.

## Spiritual

27. Associates "God or Jesus loves you" with warm feelings from parents and other care givers.
28. Senses others are happy when they talk to God.
29. Recognizes that Jesus was a baby, a boy, then a man.
30. Recognizes that the Bible is a special book that has stories about God and Jesus.
31. Recognizes that at church people sing and talk about God and Jesus.