

# Alternatives For Children



## Comprehensive Preschool/Day Care Thematic Curriculum

Dear Parent/Guardians:

Below is a list of our annual curriculum themes. Each class will follow with activities and plans to introduce each area. Please be aware that each class functions at different developmental levels and activities will be developed with each child's individual needs and interests in mind. Some items might be excluded or only touched upon if they are not developmentally appropriate for the group. Alternatives For Children follows the Creative Curriculum model which will be introduced and explained to you at Back To School Night in September. For more information on the curriculum now you can go to [www.TeachingStrategies.com](http://www.TeachingStrategies.com). Each class will still be addressing and working on all the Early Childhood pre-readiness skills to prepare your child for the educational years ahead.

**SEPTEMBER:**      *ALL ABOUT ME* - Back to School, Friendship, Feelings/Emotions, Body Parts, Safety Rules, Stranger Danger, School Buses, Disability Awareness/Differences, Scholastic Book Fair.



**OCTOBER:**      *FALL/AUTUMN* – Fall Harvest, Fall Holidays, Seasonal Changes, Pumpkins, Apples, Gourds, 5 Senses, Fire Safety Month, Physical Therapy (PT) Month.



**NOVEMBER:**      *HARVEST/FAMILY* – November Holidays, Pilgrims, Native Americans, Turkeys, Cornucopia, Mayflower, Nutrition.



**DECEMBER:**      *CULTURE/TRADITIONS* – Holidays, Bakery & Cooking, Evergreens, Family & Children's Holiday Party.



**JANUARY:**      *WINTER* – Snow & Ice, Seasonal Changes/Clothing, Arctic Animals, Hibernation, Penguins, Martin Luther King.



**FEBRUARY:**      *FRIENDSHIP & LOVE* - Winter Holidays, Post Office, Letter Carrier, Exercise, Healthy Heart, Dental Health Month.



**MARCH:** *COMMUNITY HELPERS/TRANSPORTATION* – March Holidays, Rainbows and Colors, Kites and Wind, Weather Changes (Lions & Lambs), Creative Complementary Services (CCS) Month, Social Work Month, Class/Individual School Pictures.



**APRIL:** *SPRING AND FARM ANIMALS* – Spring Holidays, Planting, Seeds, Gardens, Flowers, Rain, Butterflies and Life Cycles, Earth Week, Week of The Young Child, Occupational (OT) Month.



**MAY:** *BUGS & INSECTS* – Spring Holidays, Jungle/Zoo Animals, Mother's Day, May is Better Hearing & Speech Month.



**JUNE:** *DINOSAURS* – Fossils, Summer and Seasonal Changes, Nursery Rhymes and Fairy Tales, Moving Up and Kindergarten, Flag Day, Father's Day.



**JULY / AUGUST:** *SUMMER FUN* – Beach, Sea Animals, Aquarium, Camping, Picnic/Summer Food, Summer Holidays, Sun & Water Safety, Rainforest, Fun Day.



\*\*\* In addition to the curriculum and themes above each class will be developing class studies developed mainly from the interest of the children. Your child's teacher will inform you through weekly newsletters the events and activities that are planned for the week.