

# Class At A Glance

## Schick's Crossing Preschool

### **Yellow/Green Cars** (3-year-olds)

**Class Days/Times:** Yellow Cars—M/W/F, 9:00 – 11:30 a.m.  
Green Cars—T/Th, 9:00 – 11:30 a.m.

**Student/Teacher Ratio:** 15 / 2

**Fees:** Yellow Cars—\$65 registration fee, \$130 monthly tuition  
Green Cars—\$50 registration fee, \$90 monthly tuition

#### **Class Synopsis:**

The 3-year-old program has two main purposes: to build important social skills and to get a jump-start on learning letters, numbers and other Kindergarten skills. The first things students do each day is find their name and pull a letter from our mystery box. This helps them learn to recognize their names in print, begin identifying letters and understand that words are made up of individual letters. After some free-play time the students gather for circle time when they will do calendar charting, assign jobs for the day, discuss the theme, color and shape of the month and sing a song or two.

Following circle time the students will practice writing the letter of the week, then will participate in an art activity and more free-play. Art activities range from fingerpainting or stamping to mosaics or watercolors. The important thing is that the children are able to be creative and develop their small motor skills. It's not about the finished product, but about the process of creating something of their own.

Following art and play time, students enjoy going outside on the playground or spending time in our gym area playing with balls, the balance beam, tumbling mat, bean bags or moving and dancing with our music and movement CD's. Regardless of the activity, this is a time for the children to run around, be loud and use up some of that abundant energy!

After gross motor time the class takes a bathroom break and washes its hands to prepare for snack time. During snack time teachers will read a story or two and children are allowed to clean up their snacks when finished and play quietly while they wait for their friends. After a little more play time they will gather again for a closing circle time. Students will find shapes and colors of the month in the room and sing another song or two. Before they know it—it's time to go home!

This is a great class as it has a good balance of free-play and structured activities. Those children who are ready to begin working on letters and numbers have that opportunity, but those who aren't quite ready yet don't get frustrated by being forced beyond their abilities. It is always amazing to see the amount of growth that happens over the course of the class and students are well prepared to move on to the 4-year-old program by the end of the year. If you have any further questions, please visit our website at [www.bartlettpreschool.com](http://www.bartlettpreschool.com) or call the preschool office at 630-483-1030.