

St. Catherine of Siena Catholic School ELA/History

Kindergarten

Curriculum Overview				
Units & days	Reading Skills (students will be able to (do)...	Writing Skills	Language Skills	Connection Social Studies, Art, History
Unit 1 Letter C (8 days) Meet the Superkids	Identify parts of a book Recognize that words are made up of letters Recognize top, middle and bottom Associate Cc with /k/ Identify rhyming words Generate questions Make and confirm predictions Speak as a story character Encode Cc for initial /k/	Form Cc. Expressive writing - dictate a list, labels and captions	Listen for details and follow oral directions Discuss kitchen vocabulary	Learn how food grows Learn what a plant needs to grow
Unit 2 Letter O (8days) Meet the Superkids	Identify Capital and lowercase Oo Identify parts of a book Recognize that words are made up of letters Associate Oo with /o/ and Cc with /k/ Distinguish between reality and fantasy Generate questions to make predictions Draw conclusions Speak as story character Encode Oo for /o/ and Cc for /k/	Form Oo and Cc Expressive writing - Dictate facts, sentence and a story ending	Listen for details and follow oral directions Discuss how to solve a problem Identify art supplies and animals	Learn about the characteristics of an ostrich and compare it with other birds
Unit 3 Letter G (6 days) Meet the Superkids	Identify parts of a book Identify initial and final /g/ Associate Gg with /g/ Identify rhyming words Generate questions to determine important ideas Recognize plot Encode Gg for /g/, Cc for /k/, Oo for /o/	Form Gg Expressive writing - Dictate sentences and complete tongue twister	Listen for details and follow oral directions Discuss using polite language Discuss smells, gas stations, and zoo animals	Learn about service dogs and how they get trained
Unit 4 Letter A (7 days) Meet the Superkids	Recognize that words are made up of letters Match capital and lowercase letters Associate Aa with /a/ Distinguish between medial a/a/ and o/o/ Recognize text structure Understand descriptive language Recite lines of a poem rhythmically Encode Aa for /a/, Cc for /k/, Gg for /g/	Form Aa Expressive writing - Dictate story endings and sentences	Listen for details and follow oral directions Discuss respecting nature Discuss camping, adventures, and neighborhoods	Learn about things you see and do when camping and how they are different from everyday life
Unit 5 Letter D (7 days) Meet the Superkids	Recognize that the same word is always spelled with the same letters Identify initial and final /d/ Associate Dd and final dd with /d/ Blend sounds to decode words Sequence events Determine cause and effect Speak as a story character Encode Dd for /d/ and encode words	Form Dd Expressive writing - Contribute to a class story and dictate labels	Discuss fixing toys, inventions, and simple things	Learn how following step by step instructions leads to a finished product (dog house)

<p>Unit 6 Letter S (6 days) Meet the Superkids</p>	<p>Track print and illustrations Identify initial and final /s/ Associate Ss with /s/ Blend sounds to decode words Draw conclusions Recognize plot - Problem and solution Identify genre Generate questions (determine important ideas) Identify main idea and details Encode Ss for /s/ and encode words</p>	<p>Form Ss Expressive writing - Dictate words and sentences</p>	<p>Discuss good sportsmanship, sports, seasons, and weather Speak at an appropriate rate</p>	<p>Learn that each sport or game uses a specific type of ball in a specific way</p>			
<p>Unit 7 Letter L (6 days) Meet the Superkids</p>	<p>Identify and compare L and I Identify initial and final /l/ Associate Ll and ll with /l/, dd with /d/ and ss with /s/ Blend sounds to decode words Recognize text structure Recognize rhyme and rhythm Determine important ideas Recite lines of a poem rhythmically Encode Ll for /l/ and encode words</p>	<p>Form Ll Expressive writing - Dictate and write labels dictate sentences, dictate words for a poem</p>	<p>Discuss ways families show love Discuss rooms and household items</p>	<p>Learn about the needs of human babies and animal babies and how they compare</p>			
<p>Unit 8 Letter I (6 days) Meet the Superkids</p>	<p>Track print from left to right Identify initial and medial /i/ Associate li with /i/ Blend sounds to decode words Sequence events Draw conclusions and understand characters Generate questions to make predictions Speak as a story character Encode li for /i/ and other letter sounds Identify rebuses Read memory word - a</p>	<p>Form li Expressive writing - Dictate captions, descriptions, and an invitation</p>	<p>Discuss television and sleepovers Discuss using TV time wisely</p>	<p>Learn about how insects are helpful to our environment Learn about body parts of an insect Learn how an insect sees, communicates and protects self</p>			
<p>Unit 9 Letter T (7days) Meet the Superkids</p>	<p>Visually discriminate between words Associate Tt with /t/ Blend sounds to decode words Draw conclusions Recognize patterns in text Visualize Determine important ideas Observe punctuation Encode Tt for /t/ and encode words</p>	<p>Form Tt Expressive writing - Dictate a story and a title</p>	<p>Discuss friendship Speak with appropriate stress</p>	<p>Learn about the different instruments that are played in a marching band</p>			
<p>Unit 10 Letter F (6days) Meet the Superkids</p>	<p>Distinguish between types of sentences Understand use of speech balloons Associate F, f, and ff with /f/ Blend sounds to decode words Identify rebuses identify memory word - I Ude prior knowledge Comare and contrast Summarize Recall details Encode Ff for /f/ and encode words</p>	<p>Form Ff Expressive writing - Dictate story endings, dialogue, and question</p>	<p>Discuss fish and fishing Speak at an appropriate rate Discuss being patient</p>	<p>Learn about changes that a pond goes through during different seasons</p>			

<p>Unit 11 Letter E (6 days) Meet the Superkids</p>	<p>Identify capital and lowercase Ee Visually discriminate between words Identify initial and medial /e/ Associate Ee with /e/ Blend sounds to decode words Draw conclusions Visualize Distinguish between reality and fantasy Encode Ee for /e/ and encode words</p>	<p>Form Ee Expressive writing - Write labels and captions and riddles</p>	<p>Discuss puzzles and riddles Discuss working together</p>	<p>Learn about constellations</p>			
<p>Unit 12 Letter H (6 days) Meet the Superkids</p>	<p>Identify capital and lowercase Hh Visually discriminate between sentences Associate Hh with /h/ Identify rhyming words Blend sounds to decode words Generate questions and draw conclusions Recognize plot - Problem and solution Read with natural phrasing Speak as a story character Encode letters for sounds and encode words Read memory word - the</p>	<p>Form Hh Expressive writing - Dictate a list, stories and captions</p>	<p>Discuss car parts, things with wheels, and racing Discuss sharing</p>	<p>Learn about the invention of wheels and how it has evolved and made things easier</p>			
<p>Unit 13 Letter U (6 days) Meet the Superkids</p>	<p>Recognize exclamation marks Identify vowels and consonants Identify initial and medial /u/ Associate Uu with /u/ Blend sounds to decode words Read memory words - the, superkids, and superkids names Generate questions to make predictions Determine cause and effect Describe setting Observe punctuation Read with expression Encode Uu for /u/ and encode words</p>	<p>Form Uu Expressive writing - Write sentences, write and dictate stories Dictate a letter</p>	<p>Speak with appropriate stress Discuss being unique</p>	<p>Learn how people are different from each other in many ways and alike in others</p>			
<p>Unit 14 Letter B (5 days) Superkids Club</p>	<p>Identify parts of a book and story title Associate Bb with /b/ Distinguish between b/b/ and d/d/ Blend sounds to decode words Read memory words- of, the, a Form plurals with -s endings Understand the contraction - let's Generate questions to make predictions Draw conclusions Recall details and follow written directions Read with expression Encode Bb for /b/ and other letter sounds Encode words Spell memory word - of</p>	<p>Form Bb Expressive writing - Dictate a list, write and dictate a class book and captions</p>	<p>Listen for details and follow oral directions Discuss asking for help Discuss clubs and bakery items</p>	<p>Learn about communities, community workers and what each does</p>			

<p>Unit 15 Letter R (5 days) Superkids Club</p>	<p>Track print and illustrations Identify rhyming words Associate Rr with /r/ Blend sounds to decode words Read memory words - of, the, a Identify rebuses Understand synonyms for amounts Generate questions to determine important ideas Determine cause and effect Read with natural phrasing Encode Rr for /r/ and other letter sounds Encode rhyming and other words</p>	<p>Form Rr Expressive writing - Write and dictate sentences Dictate a description</p>	<p>Listen for details and follow oral directions Discuss getting ready Discuss tools for cleaning and yard work</p>	<p>Learn about primary and secondary colors Learn about techniques used by Picasso and Van Gogh</p>			
<p>Unit 16 Letter N (5 days) Superkids Club</p>	<p>Understand use of speech and thought balloons Associate Nn with /n/ Blend sound to decode words Read memory words - no, Supernoodle Understand position words - on, in Understand idioms and multiple meaning words Compare and contrast Read with expressions Encode Nn for /n/ Encode words Spell memory word -no</p>	<p>Form Nn Form question marks Expressive writing - Write and dictate sentences about clubs</p>	<p>Listen for details and follow Oral directions Discuss being a good leader</p>	<p>Learn about where the president lives and the jobs that he performs</p>			
<p>Unit 17 Letter M (6 days) Superkids Club</p>	<p>Identify capital and lowercase Mm Compare N and M, n and m Understand text features Associate Mm with /m/ Blend sounds to decode words Read memory words - no, of, l, for Understand synonyms and antonyms Generate questions to make predictions Determine important ideas Read with natural phrasing Encode Mm for /m/ and other letter sounds Encode words Spell memory word - for</p>	<p>Form Mm Form exclamation marks Expressive writing - Dictate a list and write and dictate an explanation</p>	<p>Listen for details and follow oral directions Discuss sharing ideas Discuss scavenger hunts</p>	<p>Learn about the five senses</p>			
<p>Unit 18 Letter P (5 days) Superkids Club</p>	<p>Identify capital and lowercase Pp Associate Pp with /p/ Blend sounds to decode words Read memory word - put Understand adjectives Associate pictures with words Summarize Determine important ideas Observe punctuation Encode Pp for /p/ and other letter sounds encode words Spell memory word - put</p>	<p>Form Pp Use correct spacing and punctuation in sentences Expressive writing - Write and dictate a description of an odd picnic</p>	<p>Listen for details and follow oral directions Discuss picnic foods</p>	<p>Learn about the types of food you eat and things you do on a picnic</p>			

<p>Unit 19 Letter V (4 days) Superkids Club</p>	<p>Identify capital and lowercase Vv Associate Vv with /v/ Blend sounds to decode words Distinguish between f/f/ and v/v/ Understand the abbreviations vet and Dr. Understand synonyms Associate pictures with sentences Sequence events Visualize Understand characters Read at an appropriate rate Encode Vv for /v/ and other letter sounds Encode words Identify an apostrophe Understand singular possessives</p>	<p>Form Vv Use correct spacing and punctuation in sentences Expressive writing - Dictate and write pet care posters and a card</p>	<p>Listen for details and follow oral directions Discuss helping someone feel better Discuss veterinarians</p>	<p>Learn the needs of a pet</p>			
<p>Unit 20 Letter W (4 days) Superkids Club</p>	<p>Identify capital and lowercase Ww Compare W and V Identify the title of a story Associate Ww with /w/ Blend sounds to decode words Read memory word - to Understand idioms Discuss onomatopoeia Generate questions to distinguish between reality and fantasy Describe setting Recall details Read with appropriate stress Encode Ww for /w/ Spell memory word - to Encode words Understand and capitalize proper nouns</p>	<p>Form Ww Form question marks Use correct spacing and punctuation in sentences Expressive writing - Write sentences for a travel guide</p>	<p>Listen for details and follow oral directions Discuss trying new things Discuss playing make-believe games</p>	<p>Learn about the weather Learn about thermometers Learn about clouds and what they tell us about the weather</p>			
<p>Unit 21 Letters K, Q (7 days) Superkids Club</p>	<p>Associate Kk and ck with /k/ Associate Qu, qu with /kw/ Blend sounds to decode words Identify rebuses and understand idioms Read memory word - like Understand multiple-meaning words Recognize text structure Make and confirm predictions Understand characters Draw conclusions Generate questions to confirm predictions Read with expression Use proper pitch and volume Encode Kk for /k/ and Qu, qu for /kw/ Encode words with ck /k/ and other words Spell memory word -like</p>	<p>Form Kk Form Qq Form exclamation marks Expressive writing - Write sentences about a pet</p>	<p>Discuss plays and theater words Discuss being thankful</p>	<p>Learn that kings and queens are rulers Learn that there were kings and queens long ago and today Learn about castles and knights</p>			

<p>Unit 22 Letter J (5 days) Superkids Club</p>	<p>Identify capital and lowercase Jj Compare J and j Compare j and i Associate Jj with /j/ Identify rhyming words Blend sounds to decode words Read memory word - said Associate pictures with sentences Sequence events Recognize rhythm and rhyme Read a poem rhythmically Encode Jj for /j/ Encode medial vowels to complete words Encode rhyming words Spell memory word - said Identify punctuation in dialogue sentences</p>	<p>Form Jj Use correct spacing and punctuation in sentences Expressive writing- Dictate dialogue and write a story with rhyming words</p>	<p>Listen for details and follow oral directions Discuss taking your time Discuss fun things</p>	<p>Learn about dinosaurs and scientist that study their fossils</p>		
<p>Unit 23 Letters X, Y (6 days) Superkids Club</p>	<p>Associate Xx with /ks/ and Yy with /y/ Blend sounds to decode words Read memory word - you Understand compound words Associate pictures with words and sentences Draw conclusions Observe punctuation Encode Xx for /ks/ and Yy for /y/ Spell memory word - you</p>	<p>Form Xx Form Yy Form exclamation and quotation marks Expressive writing- Write a caption and an opinion</p>	<p>Listen for details and follow oral directions Discuss reusing and recycling</p>	<p>Learn how trash pollutes the world and how recycling can make the world a better place to live</p>		
<p>Unit 24 Letter Z (8 days) Superkids Club</p>	<p>Identify capital and lowercase Zz Identify letter names for alphabet Associate Zz with /z/ Blend sounds to decode words Identify letter-sound correspondences for consonant and short vowels Read memory word - was Associate pictures with words and sentences Recall details and sequence events Read with natural phrasing Encode Zz for /z/ Spell memory word - was Encode plurals ending in -s and other words Understand plural -s ending Understand verbs Recognize alphabetical order</p>	<p>Form Zz Print the alphabet Expressive writing - Write opinions</p>	<p>Listen for details and follow oral directions Discuss accepting change Discuss photo albums</p>	<p>Learn about the similarities and differences of children from 100 years ago and today</p>		