

Course Description

Kindergarten Library/Media Center

Philosophy Statement: The library at Des Moines Christian School supports a well-rounded education based on the belief that God is the source of all truth. To this end, the library promotes learning to read and reading to learn with informational and recreational text and literature. The teacher-librarian instructs students to explore God's world through print and electronic media.

Course Objective: Students will be introduced to various children's authors, proper library behavior, library procedures, book care and parts of a book. Students will appreciate seasonal and holiday themes by reading picture books and will reinforce the theme with an activity sheet or group discussion. Students will continue their listening and sharing skills, taking turns, and getting along in a group situation.

Textbooks: None

Materials:

- Various picture books
- Poems
- Crafts
- Coloring pages

Time Allotment: 40 minutes per day, 1 day per 6 day-cycle week

Course Content:

- Library orientation
- Well-known children's authors
- Seasonal themes
- Title and author as part of a book
- Book care
- Location of favorite authors on the shelf
- Introduction to Caldecott Award
- Organizational pattern in the easy section

Areas to be evaluated:

- Class is rewarded for returning all their books

Additional activities:

- Book check-out once a week
- Students contribute to class discussions
- During discussion times, students learn uses of a Venn diagram
- Look at books and share
- Watch puppet plays performed by 3rd grade
- Activity sheets to reinforce authors and their books
- Interact with 4th grade library buddies