# YEAR AT A GLANCE: TODDLER & TRANSITIONAL CLASSES

**AUGUST** Our peaceful class—care of the class, rules and routines

#### SEPTEMBER

Geography:	3 necessary elements for life: air, land, and water; world
map	
History:	Families
Science:	My body: parts of the body & care of the body
Art:	Apple month, colors
Music:	Continents, continent song & Texas song
Kindness:	RESPECT

# OCTOBER

Geography:	International, United Nations, Australia
History:	Columbus Day, Grandparent's Day
Science:	Life cycle of pumpkin, magnetic/non-magnetic, senses: sight
Art:	Leaf rubbing, leaf collecting, plants, my family, communities
Music:	Seasonal, finger plays
Kindness:	LOVE

# NOVEMBER

Geography:	North America
History:	Native Americans, pilgrims, Mayflower
Science:	Changes of nature, seasons; senses: touch
Art:	Thanksgiving, Grandparents Day art
Music:	Songs of the season
Kindness:	THANKFULNESS AND SHARING

#### DECEMBER

Geography:	Antarctica, flags of the countries
History:	Winter holidays of the different cultures
Science: smelling	Solids, liquids and gases; healthy food; senses: hearing &
Art:	Crafts related to holidays around the world
Music:	Holiday songs
Kindness:	FRIENDSHIP

#### JANUARY

Geography:	Africa
History:	Dr. Martin Luther King
Science:	Living, non-living; animals of the wild; oral care; senses:
taste	
Art:	Snowman, snowflakes
Music:	Winter songs
Kindness:	CONFLICT RESOLUTION

# FEBRUARY

Geography:	Asia
History:	Chinese New Year, presidents of USA
Science:	Vertebrates, non-vertebrates; transportation
Art:	Valentine art, Mardi Gras
Music:	Loving, friendship songs
Kindness:	EMPATHY

### MARCH

Geography:	Europe
History:	Ireland, St. Patrick's Day, dinosaurs
Science:	Sink or float; time; life cycle of butterfly & ladybug
Art:	color mixing, castles, crowns, dinosaurs
Music:	Irish songs
Kindness:	SELF CONTROL

# APRIL

Geography:	South America
History:	People of South America
Science:	Solar system, recycling, ocean life: sea animals
Art:	Art appreciation, crafts, spring art
Music:	Songs of spring
Kindness:	THOUGHTFULNESS

### MAY

Geography:	Mexico
History:	Cinco de Mayo, Texas history
Science:	Gardening, seed planting, germinating, plant bluebonnets,
insects Art: Music: Kindness:	Mother's Day art craft, May Day basket, flowers Fun songs, Texas, Mother's Day songs TAKING CARE OF EACH OTHER

# YEAR AT A GLANCE: PRIMARY - 1ST GRADE

(From A Bird's Eye View, A Guide for the Montessori Classroom)

### AUGUST:

- Our Peaceful Classroom Care of the classroom
- Living/Non-living things
- The Universe and our Solar System

### SEPTEMBER:

- Plants/Animals
- My Body Parts of the body, control of the body, care of the body
- My Feelings and Senses
- Our Planet Earth The four elements (air, water, earth, fire)

# OCTOBER:

- Introduction to the Continents
- Human Needs
- My Family, My Community
- AUSTRALIA (geography, biomes, animals, people)

### NOVEMBER:

- **NORTH AMERICA** (geography, biomes, animals, people)
- Native Americans

# **DECEMBER:**

- **ANTARCTICA** (geography, biomes, animals, explorers)
- Celebrations

#### JANUARY:

- Year, Seasons, Month, Day, Hour, Minute, Second
- Our Country's Time Line, The Great Time Line
- **AFRICA** (geography, biomes, animals, people)

# FEBRUARY:

- U.S. Presidents and Flag
- Fish (characteristics, habitats, diet, defenses, life cycle)
- Oceans (ocean life)
- **ASIA** (geography, biomes, animals, people)

#### MARCH:

- Amphibians (characteristics, habitats, diet, defenses, life cycle)
- Reptiles (characteristics, habitats, diet, defenses, life cycle)

- Birds (characteristics, habitats, diet, defenses, life cycle)
- **EUROPE** (geography, biomes, animals, people)

#### **APRIL:**

- Mammals (characteristics, habitats, diet, defenses, life cycle)
- Plants
- Ecology, Food web, Conservation
- SOUTH AMERICA (geography, biomes, animals, people)

#### MAY:

- Insects and Spiders (characteristics, habitats, diet, defenses, life cycle)
- **MEXICO/TEXAS** (geography, biomes, animals, people)