

Punjabi School Bothell

Little Learners Program for Children Aged 3 to 5

Introduction: Little Learners program is tailored specifically for children aged between 3 and 5. Recognizing the unique needs and developmental stages of this age group, we have designed a curriculum to provide an engaging and nurturing learning environment.

Program Goals: Little Learners program aims to introduce children and families to Punjabi School at a very early age. The program serves as the foundational level for our school. It focuses on fostering essential skills and knowledge while also respecting the young age of the participants.

Class Format:

- ❖ **Arrival and Assembly:** Parents and children will gather at Gurudwara Sahib main Darbar Hall starting 10:30 A.M. Our dedicated Little Learners teachers will warmly greet and accompany the children to the assembly.
- ❖ **Life Skills:** Recognizing that young children may need guidance with various aspects of Sikh practices, coaching will involve navigating stairs, head-covering, 'matha take,' Taking Prashad, and engaging in Seva and Simran, maintaining hygiene as part of the lesson plan.
- ❖ **Parent Involvement:** After the assembly, children will have an additional 45 minutes with their teachers in the side hall of Darbar Sahib.
- ❖ **Homework:** The class will conclude with some basic homework assignments provided by their teachers.

Important: At least ONE of the parents or adult family member's presence is required with the child during the assembly as well as the class.

- If a child needs a washroom break during this time, present adult family members will need to guide & help.

At-Home Projects: In addition to classroom activities, children will be given the following projects to complete at home in collaboration with their parents and family members:

1. **Punjabi Pad from Lingo Dodo:** This gadget will be provided by the school for keeping at home. Family members are encouraged to spend 15 minutes everyday learning the basics on the pad.
2. **Level-Beginner workbook:** Students can practice homework with family members using this workbook.

Learning Objectives: This program is thoughtfully designed to help children achieve the following learning milestones:

- Recognize letters of the Punjabi alphabet - 35.
- Pronounce randomly presented letters, along with a few associated words.
- Identify and recite numbers up to ten.
- Recite the days of the week.
- Understand and follow oral instructions and questions.
- Learn and recite names of colors, body parts, fruits, vegetables, and weather terms.
- Gain knowledge about Sikh history, including the ten Gurus, four Sahibzaday, and five Pyare.
- Memorize the Mool Mantar.
- Correctly pronounce names of their family members.

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