BUILDING A FIRM FOUNDATION FOR THE FUTURE: EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION IS VITAL TO EVERY CHILD’S SUCCESS

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We may think of kindergarten as a year for play and nap time but the actuality is that kindergarten pupils work hard and learn a lot in a very short span of time. A year in kindergarten, they get used to the daily routine of school and to make new friends, but the kindergarten teachers will tell that it's a crucial year to build the foundation for their learning. Kindergarten is a year for the basics learning. Some children are already for kindergarten and come to school knowing how to count, recognize numbers, shapes, colors and sort objects while others will not. Using a concrete visual props like puzzles, cubes, and counting materials, kindergarten will learn ordinal numbers, the concepts of more and less, creating and recognizing patterns and how to sort using a number of different characteristics and basic addition and subtraction.

Kindergarten classrooms are typically organized by different activities and various types of play. A typical classroom have areas for reading, arts and crafts, building and math toys. The school day and program is structured with time for free play, nap time and structured scheduled lessons devoted to each activities. The expectations for the kindergarten should achieve in their year of learning, is specifically whether they should know how to read and write by the end of kindergarten.

The challenge to learn socialization skills and academics is not for the pupils’ alone. For a teacher, the challenge of teaching a new pupils these skills while challenging pupils who have already been practicing them for several years is a daunting one.
Kindergarten give children the foundation to become a successful lifelong learners. While all pupils will struggle in their own areas throughout the educational process, providing an opportunity to learn at an early age for success.

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