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Study #1: Beginning the Year/Pets • • • • •	Themes	Optional Focus	Skill Builders/	WMELS Learning	STEM and	Art/Music
Interest	All About School All About Me My Family Safety My Community Helpers Pets	 Routines and expectations We're all special Names of friends and helpers at school Feelings Feelings at school Home, family School safety – fire drills, hand washing, sneezing, playground rules Community helpers 	 Labels and Names The parts of a book Story structure (beginning, middle, end) Getting to know someone Sharing in school, taking turns Respect for things If we feel sad or worried at school 	• 1.A.EL/1c • 1.C.EL/4 & 6 • 2.A.EL1-2/1a & 2b • 2.B.EL/1c & 29 • 2.C.EL/2a & 2c • 3.A.EL/8b • 3.B.EL/9 & 10 • 3.C.EL/10a, 15a, 17a • 4.A.EL/11 • 4.B.EL/14b • 4.C.EL/29-31 • 5.A.EL/12 • 5.B.EL/13, 20b, 22 • 5.C.EL/22 & 26	Sensory Measuring height Hot and cold Predicting weather Shredded paper Cold pudding Dog food/biscuits Soapy water	Specials Music Appreciation – Camille Saint-Saens, "Carnival of Animals" Art Appreciation – Keith Haring, Graffiti artist, subway chalk Faith Formation Intro to Chapel and Pastors God Loves Me God Never Changes God Loves Everyone! Prayer "ABCDEFG, Thank you God for feeding me"
			ards) and TSG (Teaching Strance, or you may access online		mentally appropriate objective information.	ves used throughout our

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 Fall/Autumn Apples Food from trees Fall Animals Homes Colors 	Topics Characteristics of trees and leaves Shapes of trees Leaves Harvest Pumpkins Halloween Fun Animal homes Homes of the world Maps Pledge of Allegiance	 Classifying Comparing Words for describing Identifying the story character Making eye contact Greetings Compliments Transitions 	Standards/TSG* 1.A.EL.1d/1c 1.B.EL.2/6 & 7 1.C.EL.1 2.A.EL1-2/1a & 2b 2.B.EL/1c & 29 2.C.EL/1b & 3b 3.A.EL/15a & 10b 3.B.EL/9a.4 3.C.EL/15 4.A.EL/11 4.B.EL/14b 5.A.EL/12 5.B.EL/13, 20b, 22 5.C.EL/22 & 26	Sensory Prisms and color Shapes Using our 5 senses to find clues Leaves Acorns Light tables with color beads Birds' nests Pine cones	Specials Music – matching pitch Music Appreciation – Paul Dukas, "The Sorcerer's Apprentice" Art – Wassily Kandinsky, circle art Faith Formation Thanksgiving Thankfulness What are prayers? Prayer "Johnny Appleseed"

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Interest Study #3: Clothes/Music	 World Clothing Shoes Traditions Celebrations Christmas Clothes from long ago Fabric Colors Music and Instruments Sound 	 Clothes for weather Clothes for work Native Americans Pilgrims Sharing Turkeys Thanksgiving Voting/Election Jesus' Birthday Angels Music and feelings Bands, choirs, and orchestras Songs for celebrations and remembering Rhythm, tone, and tempo 	 Sequence and steps Texture words Nothing and something Sending mail Giving complements Asking a question Table manners Songs that remind us of events 	• 1.A.EL/1c • 1.C.EL/4 & 6 • 2.A.EL1-2/1a & 2b • 2.B.EL/1c & 29 • 2.C.EL/2a & 2c • 3.A.EL/8b • 3.B.EL/9 & 10 • 3.C.EL/10a, 15a, 17a • 4.A.EL/11 • 4.B.EL/14b • 4.C.EL/29-31 • 5.A.EL/12 • 5.B.EL/13, 20b, 22 • 5.C.EL/22 & 26	 Solid and liquid Graphing Weaving Soap bubbles Buttons Tinsel and shreds Ice cubes/snow Feathers Rhythm Instruments 	Music - Performance Music Appreciation — Peter Tchaikovsky, "The Nutcracker Ballet" Art — Hans Hofmann, Energetic color block Faith Formation Advent Stories Christmas Shepherds and Angels Prayer "Thank you, God, for all that grows"
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		Topics	Social Skill Focus	Standards/TSG*	Sensory	Specials
Interest Study #4: Buildings	 Homes around the world Winter homes Towers Characteristics of buildings Colors Weather Maps Signs Winter Sports Rocks 	 Building materials Buildings for sports Olympics Buildings for work Hibernation Favorite Authors Snow Ice Penguins Tools Shapes 	 Positional Words Texture words Question or Comment? Personal Space Lead and Follow 	 1.A.EL.1d/1c 1.B.EL.2/6 & 7 1.C.EL.1 2.A.EL1-2/1a & 2b 2.B.EL/1c & 29 2.C.EL/1b & 3b 3.A.EL/15a & 10b 3.B.EL/9a.4 3.C.EL/15 4.A.EL/11 4.B.EL/14b 4.C.EL/29-31 5.A.EL/12 5.B.EL/13, 20b, 22 5.C.EL/22 & 26 	 Exploring Weight Balance Gravity and Falling Ice and Snow Color Paddles Cotton Balls Textures Tools 	Music – Find the BEAT, tempo Music Appreciation – Claude Debussy, "Children's Corner Suite" Art – Robert Dafford, Muralist Michaelangelo, "Lie Down Painting" Faith Formation Epiphany, the three kings Jesus in the Temple Jesus Calms the Storm Jesus is Baptized Prayer "Good food, good meat, good God, let's eat"
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Spheres Wheels Sports Exercise Planets The Easter Story Planets Resurrection Healthy Habits Spheres Resurrection Healthy Habits Spheres Sun and Moon Healthy Habits Imaginary or Real? Magic Pages Imaginary or Real? Magic Pages Ina.EL.2/6 & 7 L.C.EL.1 L.C.L.1 L.C.L.		Themes	Optional Focus	Skill Builders/	WMELS Learning	STEM and	Art/Music Lady
*WMELS (Wisconsin Model Early Learning Standards) and TSG (Teaching Strategies Gold) are the developmentally appropriate objectives used throughout or planning. They are available in print for your reference, or you may access online. Please see director for more information.	Study #5:	Spheres Wheels Sports Exercise Planets The Easter Story	 Transportation Sports that use balls Solar System Sun and Moon Bubbles Eggs Holy Week Resurrection Healthy Habits Model Early Learning Standard	 Rhyming Words Imaginary or Real? Magic Pages I Can Calm Myself Making Mistakes Forgiveness Quiet Times 	 1.A.EL.1d/1c 1.B.EL.2/6 & 7 1.C.EL.1 2.A.EL1-2/1a & 2b 2.B.EL/1c & 29 2.C.EL/1b & 3b 3.A.EL/15a & 10b 3.B.EL/9a.4 3.C.EL/15 4.A.EL/11 4.B.EL/14b 4.C.EL/29-31 5.A.EL/12 5.B.EL/13, 20b, 22 5.C.EL/22 & 26 	 Roll or Bounce Ramps Bridges Marbles/beads Blowing Bubbles Jelly Beans and Easter Grass 	Music – Spring Songs Music Appreciation – Modeste Mussorgsky, "Pictures at an Exhibition" Art – African Bead Wraps Faith Formation Jesus Loves Kids Noah's Ark Lent and Easter Jesus is alive! Prayer: Sung to "Twinkle Twinkle little star" Thank you for the sun so bright, thank you for the moon at night, thank you for my family, Thanks for friends who play with me, thanks for everything I see, I am thankful, yes siree! Amen

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Interest Study #6: Reduce, Reuse, Recycle	 Environment Land, Water, Sky Farms Insects and Birds Flowers Garbage, Trash, and Junk Containers 	 Nests Seeds Camping Gardens Butterflies Frogs Farm Animals Wind Kites Water Life Growing Food 	 Syllables Compound Words Authors and Illustrators Environmental Print Shaking Hands Saying "Good Bye" Healthy Choices Responsibilities at Home - Chores 	• 1.A.EL.1d/1c • 1.B.EL.2/6 & 7 • 1.C.EL.1 • 2.A.EL1-2/1a & 2b • 2.B.EL/1c & 29 • 2.C.EL/1b & 3b • 3.A.EL/15a & 10b • 3.B.EL/9a.4 • 3.C.EL/15 • 4.A.EL/11 • 4.B.EL/14b • 4.C.EL/29-31 • 5.A.EL/12 • 5.B.EL/13, 20b, 22 • 5.C.EL/22 & 26	 Sensory What is Magnetic? Junk Sculptures Plant Parts Which Container Holds More? Potting Soil and Garden Tools Nests and Feathers Bird Food Caps/Lids 	Specials Music – Music Appreciation – George Gershwin, "Rhapsody in Blue" and Jazz Art: Georges Seurat, Pointillism Helen Frankenthaler, "Soak Stain" Faith Formation The Ten Commandments Joseph's Coat Creation Prayer: "Thank you for the world so sweet, thank you for the food
				ntegies Gold) are the develop e. Please see director for more	mentally appropriate objective information.	we eat, thank you for the stars"