

Learning to Know



Computer-Based Learning

Our students have 1 1/2 hours of personal work time during the morning and 1 1/2 hours of personal work time during the afternoon. During these work periods, along with several off-computer work options, students may choose to work on any of the following four computer-based learning programs. Since all of these programs are online, students can use them at home and during school breaks, as well.

Learning Today

Learning Today (www.learningtoday.com) is an online program that our students use daily to build their critical elementary level reading and math skills.

DreamBox

DreamBox (www.dreambox.com) is a fun online math program that our students use to build their math skills.

ClickNKids

Our students use the online ClickNKids (www.clicknkids.com) programs for both Phonics and Spelling.

Rosetta Stone

Our students are using Rosetta Stone (www.rosettastone.com) online to learn Spanish. Some of our students' parents and family members are using it at home to learn Spanish and other languages, including French, Hindi, Polish, and German!

Goodreads

Goodreads (www.goodreads.com) is a website for keeping track of and reviewing books you have read. It's also a great way to share reading with friends and family. Become our friend on Goodreads, see what we're reading, and share your reading with us!

Poetry

During the school session between Thanksgiving and Christmas break, Acton Academy students learned and practiced writing several types of poetry, including quatrains, haikus, and cinquains. Here is some of our work!

Quatrains

The foling tree

Ornaments big round and small,
My Christmas tree is six feet tall.
We trid to put a star on top,
But it almost made the tree go flop.
- Sam (6)

Quatrain

I'm here on the plane,
Doing my quatrain.
Up hi in the sky,
Is whar I fly.
- Bodhi (6)

Fish in the Sea

Fish swim in the seas
Wal munching on seaweed trees.
Ovoll shapt with litll skales
And colorful fins and tales.
- Chris (6)

Bike

Cool bres blowing in my face,
Biking to a speshol place.
I can doow asom tricks,
But I haf to be home by six.
- Cash (8)

A Walk Til Spring

A walkin the snow.
While saing ho ho ho.
That's all for the year.
And now spring is here.
- Saskia (5)

My Band

Rattle in my hand,
I shake them in a band.
Maracas I see!
I need to get three!

Boom! Crash! Bam!
Loud as beavers making a dam.
Two drum sticks in my hand.
I got them for my band.

Bigger than you.
It's a base x 2
Can't take it with me.
So big it could break my own knee.

It make's my instrument so loud.
Encore Encore yells the croud.
Oh how my instrument and I connect.
Yes if you guessed michraphone your correct.
- Ellie (9)

Haikus

Winter

Winter so chilly
Winter bres cold chill chill chill
Winter cold cold frez

Winter smell good good
Winter smells cold cold good good
cold ar in my nose

No grow in wite snow
no see plants to pik
snow covering roofs
- Saskia (5)

Somr

One hundred degrees
Cool water toching my body
Air conditioning

Sizell a hot grill
Hear a bloo berd sing today
Hear the cool bes blow

Soft, moist baseball field
Toching my baseball bag with
Swty, tired hands
- Cash (8)

Season's Eye

Buds, buds blowming buds
and flowers in spring time, ferst
Season in the year.

Sumer the pool, the
sight of the burning hot sun
And the time for fun!

Ornage, yellow, red
leafs fall, it's Aogest!
What's next? Of corse Fall!

Snow, snow! It's Winter
jackets, scarfs and fun for
Everyone! Snow, snow!
- Charlie (8)

Summer

I hear the wind blowing
in the sky, cooling us down,
Rusoling the leevs.

Trees foul of green leevs
Ducks floting on my lake and
Woudoling in my yard

Swety, hot, thirsty
wen the suns in the mitoll
Of the summer sky.
- Chris (6)

Cinquains

School
Challenging, fun
Achieving, accomplishing, inspiring
People always learning inside
Acton
- Ellie (9)

Fun
Good, nice
Eating (goldfish), playing (Super Mario), drawing
Has lots of energy
Chris
- Chris (6)

Human
Happy, hilarious
Running, jumping, rolling
I like Star Wars
Charlie
- Charlie (8)

Athlete
Fast, awesome
Biking, falling, trialing again
No boy does better
Cash
- Cash (8)

About me
Invited
Artistic, creative
Playing, building, biking
His brother is Chandler
Bodhi.
- Bodhi (6)

Who Saskia Is
Gierl
Talented (at violin), sporty
Crafting, eating, reading
Sometimes likes sister Annika
Saskia
-Saskia (5)