



Grade Two Curriculum 2015-2016

Religion

Faith First, teaches the students about celebrating the kingdom of God with the church and community, includes Scripture. The chapter includes: scripture, stories, simple doctrine and activities. The second grade emphasis is on the reception of Reconciliation and Communion. The children participate in weekly mass, special paraliturgical celebrations, daily school and classroom prayers, as well as the spontaneous acknowledgement of God present throughout the day.

Reading

The SuperKids Reading Program at the second grade level builds upon the skills previously learned. This program combines phonics, word language skills and a literacy and fluent approach to aid the student in becoming a well-rounded reader. The introduction and reinforcement of main idea, reviewing, predicting, drawing conclusions, and the elements of non - fiction and fiction take place throughout the year. Other areas include phonemic awareness, thinking skills, problem solving and word play.

Language Arts

The SuperKids incorporates the basic structure for the study of language and writing skills, which is extended over other curriculum areas, particularly reading and spelling. Daily Oral Language is an integration of writing, capitalization, punctuation, and spelling that helps children recognize the language arts.

Spelling

The SuperKids for second grade incorporates reading and writing goals by emphasizing phonemic awareness, Dictionary skills and opportunities to practice and assess sentence writing along with oral vocabulary in writing help the student become a competent speller.

Social Studies

The McMillian/McGraw-Hill (1987) practice and activity book develops maps, globe, reading, reasoning, and social skills. These skills fall into categories such as holidays and our country's history.

Science

The Nancy Larson Program Science 2 covers content material in areas such as, investigating the physical properties of matter, observing rocks and minerals, investigating forces and work, examining simple machines, exploring sound and light and investigating birds.



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Math

The Pearson Envision Math Series, Realize Edition utilizes a Common Core approach to teaching. The philosophy of this program is that mathematics builds on prior learning manipulatives, picture drawing, equations, problem solving and journal writing of how a student came up with his/her answers.

Handwriting

The second graders learn all lower and upper case letters as a review in manuscript, as well as an introduction to cursive using the Palmer Method. They practice daily.

Spanish

Children will receive Spanish instruction once a week. They will be introduced to language, learn to count, color words, greetings, games and begin a basic vocabulary.

Art, Library, Music Gym

The students participate in art, library, and music once a week. They participate in gym twice weekly. Listening skills, participation and cooperation are stressed weekly.