

Trinity Lutheran School, Burr Ridge, Illinois

CURRICULUM OVERVIEW – SECOND GRADE

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Religion

Comprehend daily lessons based on Bible stories
Recognize Jesus as Savior who died to take away sin
Identify ways to be more like Jesus and live for Him
Know will go to heaven by grace through Jesus
Trust that Jesus can help when in trouble
Show love to classmates
Share God's Word through song and words
Respect God's house
Recognize individual differences and accept all people as children of God.
Learn liturgical seasons of Advent and Lent
Confess sins and feel joy of forgiveness.
Memorize and recite Bible verses, Ten Commandments, and Lord's Prayer

Mathematics

Add and subtract, whole numbers, 0 - 18
Add and subtract 2 and 3 digit numbers including regrouping
Multiply whole numbers by 0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 10
Recognize coin values and add coins to more than a dollar.
Determine time to the minute
Identify and reproduce geometric shapes
Write number sentences in addition, subtraction, multiplication
Distinguish patterns
Create and interpret graphs
Measure using non-standard and standard units
Identify fractions – halves, thirds, fourths, eighths
Measure and draw line segments to the nearest half-inch or whole centimeter

Language Arts

- Reading
Enlarge vocabulary through reading, speaking, listening and writing experiences
Read independently for a variety of purposes
Identify main idea / recall sequence of events
Understand the use of character, setting and problem in a story.
Develop awareness of uses for punctuation marks and capital letters as a cue to meaning

Language Arts CONTINUED

- Writing
Write simple sentences with appropriate punctuation
Identify nouns, verbs, adjectives and adverbs
Write independently in journal
Spell frequently used words correctly
- Listening and Oral Communication
Listen attentively and ask appropriate questions
Follow oral directions
Participate in shared reading and writing
Express complete thoughts
Speak effectively and clearly
Adjust volume of voice as appropriate

Science

How plants grow and are used; parts of a plant
Groups of animals; how they grow and change
Land and water habitats
Weather and water change the earth
Fossils as clues to life before
Understanding how living things become extinct
Sun, earth, moon and planets as the solar system and how they are related
Forms of matter and how they change
Heat, light, and sound energy
Forces, machines and magnets

Social Studies

Develop concepts and knowledge related to family, geography, our country's history
Respect the rights and values of others
Distinguish between needs and wants
Recognize people work to provide money for goods and services
Comprehend national holidays and symbols which help us remember country's history
Know cardinal directions: north, south, east, west
Define and explain land and water forms such as mountain, desert, plain, river, ocean etc.
Identify states, countries, continents and oceans on a map or globe as appropriate
Significant contributions made by Americans past and present, Presidents
Display a basic understanding of how our government works

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Spanish

Recite Spanish alphabet
Count and identify colors
Learn and use greetings
Learn about Spanish traditions and holidays

Computer Technology

Identify computer hardware components
Increase familiarity of keyboard
Learn computer advantages and limitations
Write sentences in word processing

Music

Participate in group singing
Learn rhythmic skills
Identify major instruments in band/orchestra
Listen to a wide variety of musical styles
Understand beginning symbols in written music

Art

Learn elements of design
Develop skills in basic techniques using a variety of media: pencil, watercolor, marker, tempera

Physical Development and Health

Use the elements of basic movements
Use basic locomotor and non-locomotor skills
Begin fitness awareness
Develop ball-handling skills
Learn basic sport rules, introductory games,
Comprehend value of and display good sportsmanship
Participate in Presidential Fitness Testing
Practice safety concepts and precautions
Recognize importance of keeping nutritionally and physically fit
Develop awareness of importance of disease prevention

Peaceable School Program

Participate in weekly class meetings to learn I-messages, peace making and peace breaking behavior, and positive reinforcement, etc.

Service Learning

Participate in class service project:
Run the school recycling program

Extra-Curricular Enhancement

Participate in group Science Fair project and individual project* (*every other year*)
Develop a Fine Arts Fair project* (*every other year*)
Participate in Basketball and Volleyball Clinics*
* - Optional Participation

Piano/other instrument lessons offered at Trinity through Allegro Music (*additional fee*)

This is an overview and not an exhaustive list of the concepts covered throughout the school year. If you have any question regarding our curriculum, please feel free to contact your child's teacher or Trinity's principal at 708.839.1444.