



St. Patrick's Episcopal Day School Third Grade Curriculum Overview

Reading

- Comprehension
- Vocabulary
- Summarizing ideas
- Drawing conclusions
- Predicting outcomes
- Introduce variety of genres
- Oral reading with expression
- Review phonics
- Basal reader from publisher Scott Foresman
- Individual novel studies to enrich and strengthen skills
 - My Father's Dragon* by Ruth Stiles Gannett
 - Stone Fox* by John Reynolds Gardiner
 - James and the Giant Peach* by Roald Dahl
 - The Wish Giver* by Bill Brittain
 - The Whipping Boy* by Sid Fleischman

English

Grammar

- Nouns, pronouns, verbs, adjectives, adverbs, subjects and predicates, capitalization and punctuation, and prepositions

Writing

- Sentences
- Paragraphs
- Stories
- Letters
- Book Reports
- Listening critically and responding to directions and sequence of events

Speaking

- Oral presentations
- Book reports
- Memorizing and reciting poems to the class

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Social Studies

- Develop critical thinking, study skills, and values
- Aim to have them informed, active, caring, decision makers
- Study three geographic regions in the United States
- Study three different Native American tribes that live in these regions
- Focus on food, clothing, shelter, and family life of each tribe
- Early settlers to the east coast
- First pioneers who went west
- Map skills

Science

Nutrition

- Become familiar with food pyramid; be more aware of eating a balanced healthy diet

Earth Science

- Sun, Moon, and Stars: Objects in the sky move in regular and predictable patterns

Life Science

- Structure of Life: Continue to develop student's concepts of ecology and evolutions of plants and animals

Physical Science

- Simple Machines: Explore how simple machines such levers, inclined planes, and pulleys make tasks easier
- Ask meaningful questions and conduct investigations

Math

- Review addition and subtraction facts
- Learn multiplication and division facts

Number Sense

- Understand place value of whole numbers to 10,000
- Able to calculate and solve problems involving addition, subtraction, multiplication, and division
- Understand the relationship between whole numbers, simple fractions, and decimals

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Math continued

Algebra and Functions

- Can select symbols, operations, and properties to represent, describe, simplify, and solve simple number problems

Measurement and Geometry

- Select and use appropriate units and measurement tools
- Describe and compare plane and solid geometric figures
- Statistics: Conduct simple probability experiments

Reasoning

- Decisions how to approach problems using strategies, skill, and concepts in finding solutions

Graphs

- Read, interpret and draw graphs

Time and Money

Cursive Handwriting

Field Trips

- Thousand Oaks Public Library
- CAP Journeys to the Past: Native American Culture
- CAP: Classic children's plays
- Getty Museum: Nature in Art
- CAP Symphonic Adventures: Instruments and the Symphony
- Interpretive Outreach: Native American music, literature, and games
- Pumpkin Patch: Growing pumpkins
- Southwest Museum: Native Americans: Plains, Northwest, Southwest tribes

Special Projects

- Totem Poles and accompanying story
- Rain sticks with rain poem
- Kachina Dolls with poem
- Sand Painting with story
- Painting gourds with Native American designs
- Write Halloween book with illustrations
- Write own version of Jolly Postman book
- Book reports presented in different formats

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