

First Grade Curriculum

Reading/Language Art

- Individual and group reading
- Identify and read vocabulary words
- Sight word recognition
- Identify setting and plot, characters and main events in story
- Alphabetize to the first letter
- Identify rhyming words
- Recognize fiction and non-fiction
- Use long and short vowels
- Note details in a story
- Sequence of events
- Comprehension
- Sequence pictures
- Identify initial and final consonants
- Identify two-letter blends
- Recognize action and naming words
- Understand plurals

Writing Skills

- Beginning journaling ; expressing thoughts in writing
- Writing complete sentences
- Form letters neatly and correctly
- Using correct punctuation
- Begin to use descriptive language

Math

- Classify numbers: greater and less than
- Problem solving
- Identify money: penny, nickel, dime, quarter, half dollar, dollar
- Adding and subtracting facts to eighteen
- Identify and write numbers to 100
- Telling time to the hour and half hour
- Understanding place value of ones, tens and hundreds
- Estimating and measuring in inches and centimeters
- Counting in multiples of 2, 5, and 10 to 100
- Use simple fractions
- Identify days, months, color and number words
- Compare, sort and classify geometric shapes
- Make and read simple graphs

Religion

- Learn about God's love
- Gain a deeper understanding of our faith, and the traditions of the Catholic Church
- Participate in class masses and bring up the gifts
- Learn basic prayers and Bible stories

Spelling

- Weekly spelling units
- Test given at the end of each unit
- Units include memory and pattern words, writing skills, phonics and vocabulary

Science

- Hands on and interactive Science activities
- Animals and their habitats
- Health and nutrition
- Light and sound
- The human body
- Weather and seasons
- Plant life
- Caring for the world around us
- Space – sun, moon and stars

Social Studies

- Our country and community we live in
- Needs and wants
- Current events
- Map skills
- Important holidays and special people

Specials

- Art
- Music
- Physical education
- Technology