

GRADE TWO CURRICULUM

Religion: This Is Our Faith, Silver Burdett and Ginn

- *Review Baptism
 - *Prepare for reception of Eucharist and Reconciliation
 - *Learn Gospel stories that teach us to love as Jesus did
 - *Experience the Catholic Church as our special home within the Christian community
 - *Participate in liturgies and prayer services
 - *Learn prayers
- Your Family and You, Benziger Family Life Program
- *Family Relationships
 - how families begin
 - how families grow
 - *Christian family units
 - one parent
 - two parents
 - extended families

Children who are baptized Catholic will be invited to receive the Sacraments of Reconciliation and Eucharist. Parents of these students will attend meetings prior to the children receiving these Sacraments.

Reading: New Beginnings / My Time To Shine, Scott Foresman

- *Literature based
- *Whole language approach
 - listening
 - speaking
 - reading
 - writing
- *Decoding and word study skills
- *Vocabulary skills
- *Comprehension skills
- *Thinking skills
- *Book Sharing

Math: Mathematics - Grade 2 - California Edition - McGraw-Hill

- *Numeration
- *Addition of whole numbers (with and without regrouping)
- *Subtraction of whole numbers (with and without regrouping)
- *Money - pennies, nickels, dimes quarters, dollar bill
- *Time - hour, quarter hour, half hour, minutes
- *Measurement - inches, centimeters - liquids
- *Story problems
- *Simple graphing - x repeated addition

Language: Scott Foresman - Grammar

- *Sentence types
- *Parts of speech
 - nouns
 - verbs
 - pronouns
 - adjectives
- *Mechanics
 - capitalization
 - punctuation
- *Story writing
- *Friendly letter writing
- *Listening skills
- *Speaking skills
- *Drama

Spelling: Scott Foresman

- *Spelling generalizations
- *Word building
- *Dictionary skills
- *Word patterns
- *Thematic vocabulary
- *Phonetic analysis

Each weekly lesson culminates with a spelling test.

Handwriting: D'Nealian

- *Manuscript review
 - upper / lower case letters
- *Cursive writing
 - upper / lower case

Both manuscript and cursive instruction emphasizes size, form, slant and spacing of letters.

Social Studies: Houghton Mifflin, Scholastic News

- *People and Places
 - groups
- *Places Near and Far
 - regions
 - weather
 - mapping
- *Ways of Living
 - citizenship
- *People Work
 - wants, needs
 - trade
- *America's Past
- *America's Government

Social Studies also includes weekly analysis of current events and study and activities related to specific cultural holidays and celebrations.

Art: NO TEXT USED

*Through a wide variety of activities students experience the elements of art: Art teacher 40 minutes per week

- line
- form
- color
- texture

Music: NO TEXT USED (Taught by music teacher)

*Students attend music class for 30 minutes bi-weekly

*Liturgical songs

*Seasonal songs

*Traditional, contemporary and ethnic songs

*Music theory

Science: Taught by classroom teacher

*30 minute class period per week

*focus of program is physical and biological science

Computer: NO TEXT USED (Taught by computer teacher)

*Students attend computer class for 30 minutes one day per week

Physical Education: NO TEXT USED (Taught by the p. e. teacher)

*Students attend p. e. class for one 30 minute period twice each week.