

1st Grade Curriculum



EARLY EXPERIENCES Last a Lifetime

Religion: God's love for all His creations, church community, Sacrament of Baptism, Eucharist, Jesus, Holy Trinity, Blessed Mother, Saints, bible stories, mass, forgiveness. Prayers; Our Father, Hail Mary, Glory Be, Guardian Angel, prayers before and after meals.

Social Studies

- Communities; neighborhoods, community workers and leaders, needs and wants, goods and services, spending and saving
- Earth's resources: different kinds of weather, land, water
- Our Country: early travelers to America, colonies, our Country's symbols, holidays and how we choose our Country's leaders.

Science

- Life Science: plants, animals and their habitats
- Physical Science: grouping, sound, light and heat, moving and working
- Earth Science: the earth; weather; the sky
- Human Body: the senses growing and changing; taking care of your health

Mathematics: Patterns, addition/subtractions strategies, facts to 20; geometry, fractions, time, number patterns, place value, data and graphs, money, measurement and probability, two digit addition and subtraction regrouping

Technology: Parts of the computer, how to use them properly and terminology. *Kid Pix Deluxe* and *Kidspiration* software to further practice keyboarding and mouse skills. Use of the *Internet* to play educational games. Signing in and out of the network.

Reading: Read regular/irregular high frequency words, develop and retain vocabulary through direct instruction, reading and listening to text, graphic organizers, story structure, answer/generate questions, understand author's purpose, cause and effect, compare and contrast, main idea and supporting details, realism/fantasy, sequence of events, characters, plot, setting and theme in stories

Phonics: Syllables, rhyming words, short/long vowels, digraphs, beginning /ending blends, r-controlled vowels, phonograms/word families, contractions, compounds, suffixes/prefixes

Grammar: Sentences, word order, types of sentences, parts of speech, special titles

Penmanship: Upper and lowercase letter formation

Specials: Weekly Classes include Physical Education, Music, Art, Computers, and Library. Fall and Spring Field Trips.

