



SECOND GRADE HIGHLIGHTS

OVERALL

Second grade builds on the reading, writing, and math skills from first grade. Students are becoming more independent and responsible in their studies. They are talking more about their faith and relating it to their own lives.

MATH

In our math program we see how God has put patterns and order throughout His world. We work on addition and subtraction and memorizing these facts.

We cover the following skills: time, number sense, coins, shapes, and measuring.

SOCIAL STUDIES

The theme of our social studies is communities. We create maps of our community and look at communities in the past and now. We work on map skills including using symbols, map keys, directions, and making our own maps of the school and surrounding neighborhood. Around Christmas time, we learn how communities around the world celebrate this holiday. In the spring, we study the life of the Pioneers.

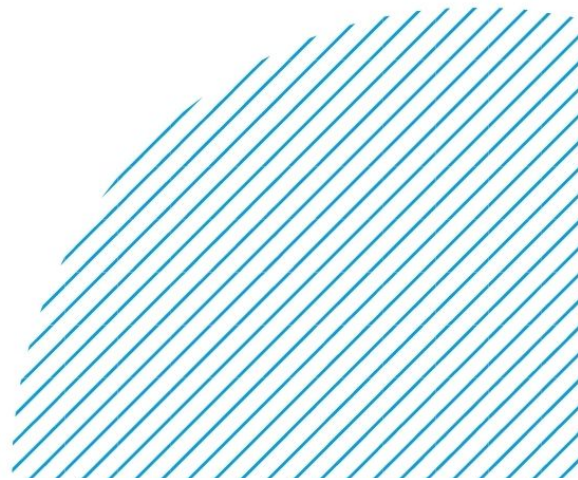
We learn what life was like for Pioneer children by attending a one-room schoolhouse for a day.

BIBLE

Students review key stories from the Old Testament and learn how important these years were in God's preparation for the promised Messiah. Students delve deeper into Jesus' ministries, how the Gospel is spread, and are introduced for the first time to the book of Revelations. Students are challenged to find ways they can apply their faith in Jesus Christ.

CO-CURRICULAR

Students participate in physical education, Spanish, music, library, technology and art classes weekly.





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WRITING

Language is a gift from God. Students will see how we are created in God's image, using words to communicate with Him and others. Students write personal narratives, stories, reflections, letters, and informational pieces. Foundational grammar rules, good sentence structure, and quality paragraphs are taught and practiced. Cursive writing is introduced and taught in the second half of the year.

ENRICHMENT

1. Blandford Nature Center to take a closer look at God's creation of plants and seeds.
2. Walk through Dutton to create a local map and a visit to the fire station.
3. Christmas Around the World: Second graders join the first graders to explore the Christmas traditions from three different countries.
4. One room school house in the Spring to experience life as a pioneer
5. Support Ben's Art Box by collecting art supplies for children being serve in local hospitals. We practice writing clear and helpful directions to accompany these supplies, so children can create fun art projects.

READING

We spend time every day reading together as a class, reading with a small group, buddy reading and/or reading alone. Strategies for decoding, comprehension and fluency are taught to increase skill and develop a love for reading.

SCIENCE

Science is all about exploring and investigating. We study plant and animal relationships, matter, and changes in God's world. We can see God's mighty hands as we discover, notice and explore the things He has created.

