



# *Second Grade Curriculum*



Dear Parents,

We have prepared this booklet to inform you of our second grade curriculum that we are using this school year.

You will find an overview of each subject taught in second grade and a daily schedule for each of our rooms.

Sincerely,

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## **Reading**

The second grade reading curriculum is composed of many components: Reading, Grammar, Writing, and Spelling.

### Macmillan/McGraw-Hill Reading

Macmillan/McGraw-Hill, is a fully integrated reading and language arts program. It has a wonderful collection of high-quality, authentic children's literature, created by award-winning authors and illustrators and selected to represent not only a variety of genres and styles, but also the nature of our society. The Macmillan/McGraw-Hill reading / language arts program has instruction in skills and strategies that will help student develop into fluent, lifelong readers, learners and articulate, effective communicators.

## **Grammar**

The grammar portion of our reading series follows the research based practice of "I do, we do, you do" where I will explain and model it, we do it together on a transparency and then do a practice book page.

## **Writing**

Our reading series incorporates the 6 Traits of Writing. Children will have writing instruction with a daily prompt. They will work on one type of writing for the week. They will do shared, interactive and independent writing

## **Spelling**

Research shows kids learn how to spell words first if they are presented in word families or with specific phonetic rules. The spelling words that we will cover in first grade will consist of word families and phonetic words. These words are more common everyday words that children use in their language and they will benefit from them when writing.

## **MATH--Everyday Mathematics**

### **Using Numbers**

Basic Facts: Addition

Sums through 9

Numbers through 100

Basic Facts: Subtraction

Minuends through 9

Place Value

Numeration to 1000

### **Geometry**

Triangles, Squares

Circles, Rectangles

Sides, & Corners

### **Fractions**

Line of Symmetry

Equal Parts

$1/2$ ,  $1/3$ ,  $1/4$ ,  $1/10$

### **Time**

Hour

Half hour

Quarter hour

Calendar

Liters, Pints, & Quarts

Using clocks

### **Counting Money**

Counting by 2's, 5's. & 10's

Counting pennies, nickels, dimes & quarters

### **Basic Facts**

Sums & Minuends of 10 - 18

Addition, computation

No regrouping and regrouping

Subtraction, computation

No regrouping and regrouping

# Science

LIFE SCIENCE

Insects

PHYSICAL SCIENCE

Solids and Liquids

EARTH SCIENCE

Air and Weather

The Full Options Science System

## **ENGLISH--McGraw-Hill**

Listening and Speaking

Writing Stories

Personal Narratives

Naming Words

Nouns that Change

Punctuation . ? ! " "

Action Words

Sentences

Naming,

Action Telling

Describing Words

Naming Yourself Last

A B C order

Writing a letter

### **Social Studies**

Unit 1          Family Ties

Unit 2          Earth, Our Home

Unit 3          A Working World

Unit 4          We the People

Unit 5          Discovering Our Past

Unit 6          People, Places, Holidays

Map Skills

Weekly Reader

### **HEALTH**

The Great Body Shop

The Children's Health Market, Inc.

Let's Stay Safe

How You Think

The Wide World of Food

Your Heart, Small But Strong

When I Feel Afraid

Babies .... And How You Grew

Drugs Are Dangerous

Germs! They Make You Sick

Me and My Skin

Muscle In Motion

### **Handwriting**

In handwriting, we expect legibility, correct letter formation, uniformity in letter size and proper spacing.