

Grade 1 Curriculum

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Bible Study

- Based on Concordia Publishing House *One In Christ*
- Study the Bible, both the Old Testament and New Testament stories, focusing on God's Love and salvation for His people

- Study Law and Gospel, confession and repentance, forgiveness and grace
- Encourage joyful and willing attitude toward prayer and worship
- Learn weekly memory verses that support daily lessons
- Worship weekly in a whole school chapel

Mathematics

- Provide a balance of experiences from concrete to symbolic stages
- Introduce concepts, skill building, problem solving and application
- Learn addition and subtraction facts, place values through 100, time, and geometry
- Apply math to everyday situations

Language Arts

Reading

- Led through emerging literacy and beginning reading while emphasizing comprehension
- Develop phonics, context, word recognition, word

structure, and word meaning skills

- Met at their own reading ability and progress through use of a leveled library
- Develop skills through listening and speaking, vocabulary activities, and writing

Written Language Grammar

- Plan and write sentences, paragraphs, stories and letters and orally share finished products
- Study proper word usage, capitalization, and punctuation

Spelling

- Stress sound patterns- prefixes, suffixes, roots, and word relationship
- Help students spell any word, not just words on a list

Penmanship

- Develop consistent and legible handwriting through proper manuscript techniques

Science

- Use hand-on activities to develop skills
- Grow in an understanding of God's creation
- Provide opportunities for predicting, observing, recording, and responding with Science notebooks
- Study Life Sciences, focusing on animals and the Human Body
- Study Earth Science, focusing on seasons and space
- Investigate Physical Science while focusing on movement and simple machines
- Participate in STEM activities intensively afterschool for 5 weeks

Social Studies

- Map and citizen skills spiral throughout the curriculum
- Cover topics like being a good citizen at home, school, in the community, and in the country
- Studying others as good citizens by studying others, their jobs, and how they help the community

Computers

- Utilize online website to learn two-handed keyboarding skills
- Play online games to enhance math skills including single factor addition, subtraction, and measurements
- Play online games to enhance reading concepts, including letter blending, sight-word recognition, and spelling
- Students have access to iPads in their classrooms for various educational apps
- COMPUTER CODING using an online coding website, students learn:
 - the concepts of sequencing and following instructions
 - problem-solving techniques and persistence
 - internet safety guidelines

Physical Education

- Learn and reinforce locomotive movements such as skipping, galloping, running, leaping, and hopping
- Learn and reinforce non-locomotive movements such as throwing, catching, and kicking

Library

- Students check out books each week from our library
- ACCELERATED READING: Encourage independent reading through the Accelerated Reading program

Spanish

- Introductory course in which the students are introduced to the Spanish language.
- Learn about the Spanish culture

Music

- Experience music through singing, listening, and playing instruments
- Learn differences between rhythm and beat, match pitch, recognize the contour of melodies
- Use their voices to praise God by singing in church and chapel

Art

- Experience art through a variety of mediums which include but are not limited to pencils, crayons, markers, paints, and clay
- Explore elements of line, shape, texture, color, and space