SPECIALS

# Second Graders participate in several specials throughout the week. They include:

- Music
- Physical Education
- Art
- Spanish
- Computers-Typing using Type 2 Learn
- Reading Buddies with a Preschool Class



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# **Second Grade Program**

The theme for second grade is "Around the World in 180 Days". Generally, this is centered around our history curriculum and is extended through projects, field trips, and guest speakers. The students create a passport and record some facts they learn in each place we visit.

The following information is an overview of topics and units we study in the various subject areas.

# **LANGUAGE ARTS**

# **Phonics and Reading**

In second grade we use Scott
Foresman Reading Street. This
program is a good blend of phonics,
reading, spelling, writing, listening
and speaking. The skills are
connected to stories from many
different genres. The stories also
connect to science and social studies
topics. We use a mixture of whole
group and small group reading
instruction.

# Writing

Our writing program is a combination of writing using the 6+1 Traits of writing as well as the Collins Writing Program. The 6+1 traits of writing include: Conventions, Word Choice, Voice, Sentence Fluency, and Organization. We do several "Types" of writing each with different sets of requirements. In longer writing assignments, students focus on perfecting 3 Focus Correction Areas which are created from the traits.



# **MATHEMATICS**

# Students will learn to:

- Add and Subtract math facts to 18
- Add and subtract any 3 digit number (with carrying and regrouping)
- Round numbers to the nearest 10



- Add and Subtract dollars and cents
- Find perimeter
- Tell time to the minute
- Measure to the nearest inch, half inch, quarter inch, and centimeter
- Read graphs
- Find one-half, one-third, and onequarter of numbers and groups of objects
- Understanding multiplication and division
- Estimate sums



# **SCIENCE**

#### **Our Science units are:**

- Light and Color
- Earth Through Time
- Solids, Liquids, and Gases
- Interactions of Living Things

# **HISTORY**

# **Our History units are:**

- Japan Today
- Ancient China
- Ancient India
- Ancient Greece
- Making the Constitution
- Immigration and Citizenship
- Americans Move West
- Geography of the Americas

### RELIGION

We use One in Christ from Concordia Publishing House for our Religion Curriculum.

# **Our Religion units include:**

- Beginnings
- The Promised Land
- Bad Times and Good Times
- The Faithless and the Faithful
- Jesus, the Son of God
- Miracles of Jesus
- Jesus' Ministry

