

# Third Grade

## Curriculum



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### Language Arts

Using the Sadlier Curriculum, chapter books, and Daily 5 we teach all aspects of reading, writing, listening and speaking skills.

#### Reading

- Chapter and story books will cover various genres including:
  - Humorous, historical, and realistic fiction
  - Biographies on important historical figures
  - Science non-fiction

#### Phonemic awareness

#### Phonics

- Decoding strategies, automaticity

#### Fluency

#### Vocabulary

- Dictionary skills
- Pulled from reading

#### Comprehension

- Sequencing, making inferences, forming insights and opinions based on textual evidence

#### Writing

- Utilize writing process
  - Brainstorming, Rough Draft, Editing, Final Draft
- Compose multi-paragraph essays with topic sentences and supporting details
- Compose fictional stories including:
  - Main Characters
  - A conflict
  - A Beginning, Middle, and End
- Write across genres:
  - Journal Writing
  - Non-fictional Essays
  - Persuasive writing
  - Fictional writing
  - Poetry
  - Book Reports
  - Personal Narratives
- Bare Books

### Math

Math in Focus is a comprehensive curriculum that includes hands-on games and real world applications. The third grade curriculum includes:

- Numbers to 10,000
  - Find the value in digits up to 10,000
  - Represent large numbers with standard, word and expanded form
  - Compare and order numbers
- Mental Math and Estimation
  - Mental Addition and Subtraction
  - Rounding and Estimation
- Addition and Subtraction up to 10,000
  - Regrouping
- Multiplication
  - Multiplication properties and vocabulary
  - Mental Multiplication
  - Multiplying with regrouping
- Division
  - Division properties and vocabulary
  - Mental Division
  - Quotients and Remainders
  - Division with Regrouping
- Money
  - Adding and Subtracting Money
  - Real-world Problems
- Measurement
  - Metric Length, Mass, and Volume
  - Customary Length, Weight, and Capacity
  - Real-world Problems
- Bar Graphs and Line Plots
  - Creating and interpreting bar graphs and line plots
- Fractions
  - Understanding fractions as parts of a whole
  - Understanding equivalent fractions
  - Comparing fractions
- Telling Time
  - Converting hours and minutes
  - Elapsed Time
- Angles, Lines and Shapes
  - Right Angles
  - Perpendicular and Parallel Lines
  - Congruent Figures
- Area and Perimeter
  - Understanding concepts of area and perimeter
  - Measuring area and perimeter in inches, centimeters, meters, and feet

- Grammar
  - Writing in complete sentences
  - Using appropriate beginning and ending punctuation
  - Spelling
  - Introduce complex grammar
- Cursive Handwriting
  - Upper case and lower case
  - Joining letters
  - Reading cursive

### *Communication*

Collaborative communication: small and large group discussion

Oral presentations – formulate formal presentations to summarize main points

Small group and center activities allow teachers to read and work one-on-one with students regularly.

### **Science**

In-depth, hands-on investigations

Environments and Living Things

Forces and Motion

Weather and Climate

Life Cycles and Traits

School Garden

### **Social Studies**

#### *World Geography*

Locate and label places on map or globe: 7 continents, the U.S. and major landforms, major bodies of water and waterways, the poles and the equator

Latitude, longitude and meridians

Key/legends, compass rose, cardinal and intermediate directions and distance scale

Elevation

#### *Louisiana Social Studies*

Geography

History

Culture

Civics

Economics

### **Enrichment Classes**

Art

Chapel

Library (twice a week)

Music (twice a week)

Physical Education (daily)

Religion

Spanish (twice a week)