

# Second Grade Curriculum



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## Language Arts

Using Adventures of the SuperKids, a core reading program for beginning readers, we teach all aspects of Language Arts.

In 2nd Grade Language Arts, you can expect your child to:

- Develop print and book awareness.
- Develop phonological awareness and word recognition.
- Develop reading fluency.
- Develop the ability to analyze literature.
- Develop comprehension strategies and skills and vocabulary.
- Develop writing skills using the writing process (both creative and non-fiction).
- Develop formation of cursive letters.
- Develop grammar, usage, and mechanics.
- Develop spelling skills.
- Develop speaking and listening skills.

## Math

- Our daily Math in Focus Curriculum makes learning math fun with hands-on activities and manipulatives.
- In 2nd Grade Math, you can expect your child to:
- Understand number concepts (even and odd numbers, place value, expanded form, different ways to write numbers, and counting patterns).
- Understand numbers to 1,000 (group tens as hundreds, explore 3-digit numbers, number patterns, comparing numbers).
- Understand basic facts and relationships (addition and subtractions facts, two- and three-digit addition and subtraction with and without regrouping, repeated addition, addition using four addends)
- Understand measurement and data (including time, money, measurement, and representing data with graphs and charts)
- Understand geometry and fractions (including two and three-dimensional geometry and fractions)
- Learn basic multiplication facts (multiples of 0-11)

## Science

In Second Grade, our students explore the world around them by studying living things and their habitats. The students learn to properly identify and label living things.

In 2nd Grade Science, you can expect your child to:

- Make observations of plants and animals to compare the diversity of life in different habitats.
- Observe and record changes in growing plants.
- Develop a simple model that mimics the function of an animal in dispersing seeds or pollinating plants
- Develop a simple sketch, drawing or physical model to illustrate how the shape of an object helps it function as needed to solve a given problem.
- Plan and conduct an investigation to describe and classify different kinds of materials by their observable properties.
- Analyze data obtained from testing different materials to determine which materials have the properties that are best suited for an intended purpose.
- Categorize objects as living or nonliving.
- Develop a model to represent the shapes and kinds of land and bodies of water in an area.
- Obtain information to identify where water is found on Earth and that it can be solid or liquid.

## **Social Studies**

Social Studies in 2nd Grade focuses on Geography, History, Economics, Civics, and Sociology. Students in 2nd Grade will:

- Identify and compare basic concepts of maps, globes, location, and climate of continents, countries, states, cities, and neighborhoods.
- Explore uses of money.
- Develop a concept of citizenship in the community.
- Participate in Black History Month projects.
- Celebrate Diversity throughout the year.
- Learn about the lives of Early Americans and Native Americans.
- Develop awareness of basic environmental responsibilities.
- Conduct basic research and present information learned.
- Create simple graphs, charts, and maps.

## **Students in 2nd Grade also attend the following Enrichment Classes:**

- Chapel
- Religion
- Art
- Music
- Physical education (daily)
- Spanish
- Library