

Curriculum Night for Third Grade

September 4, 2008

Daily Schedule For Arrival

- 1. Unpack, lunch choice, sharpen pencils
- 2. Notes/mail/folders/homework – turn in
- 3. Homework – write in assignment book
- 4. Morning work – complete
- 5. Read a book quietly
- 6. Listen to announcements
- 7. Prayer and Pledge

Morning Schedule

- 1. DOL – on Smart Board –work together
- 2. Phonics
- 3. Spelling
- 4. English/Writing
- 5. Reading (literature book or novel)
- 6. Break 9:45
- 7. SPECIALS –Phys. Ed., Music, Computer,
Library
- 8. Recess/Lunch

Afternoon Schedule

- 1. Art (Tuesday)
- 2. Math
- 3. Social Studies
- 4. Science/Health
- 5. Religion (Music Thursday)
- 6. Review what to take home
- 7. Pack up
- 8. Catch a bus/car/latch key

Language Arts (DOL)

- 1. This is an English program that introduces and reviews basic writing skills as they relate to grammar, punctuation, and capitalization.
- 2. Students will correct this on the Smart Board. They will make the corrections on their weekly study sheet which they will receive on the first school day of the week.
- 3. DOL Tests are scheduled for Thursdays 99% of the time. Grades averaged with the English grades.

Language Arts (English)

- Use of text and workbook : **World of Language**
- 1. Students will use the text and workbook to cover the major topics:sentences, nouns, pronouns, verbs, and adjectives.
- 2. Grades will come from daily work and tests.

Language Arts (Writing)

- Use of the Writing Process (Prewriting, Drafting, Revising, Proofreading, Publishing)
- 1. Creative
- 2. Persuasive
- 3. Descriptive
- 4. Compare and Contrast
- 5. How To
- 6. Personal Narrative
- 7. Research (in science/social studies)
- * The average grade for writing becomes part of the Language Arts grade.

Language Arts (Spelling/Handwriting)

- 1. Students will be introduced to words on the first school day of the week
- 2. Students will usually work on workbook pages together.
- 3. Students will have an assignment on Monday and Tuesday nights which will usually involve writing all 18 words.
- 4. Students will be graded on the 18 words.
- 5. Tests will take place on Friday.
- 6. The average of the quarter grade will count twice in the Language Arts grade.
- 7. The Handwriting grade is taken from daily work, tests, and written spelling and vocab. tests.

Reading

- 1. Literature series **Spotlight in Literacy**
- Stories, vocabulary, workbook skills, activities, and tests
- 2. Grades primarily come from tests (literature series and novels), but daily work and special projects may be considered.
- 3. Novels : (possible novels)
 - » Muggie Maggie
 - » Charlotte's Web
 - » Ramona Quimby Age 8
 - » War With Grandpa

Accelerated Reader

- First Quarter Goal – 12 points
- Points differ each quarter
- Students receive 100% for a test grade if they reach their AR point goal
- Students who do not reach the quarter goal will receive either their comprehension grade for AR or an adjusted grade

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Phonics

- Use text by **Modern Curriculum Press**
- Average grade for the quarter is part of the Reading grade

Vocabulary

- Use the **Sadlier Vocabulary** program
- Introduced the third quarter
- Average of the Vocabulary grade becomes a Reading test grade
- Used on alternating weeks with the Spelling text and on these weeks a Spelling grade is also taken

Math

Use of Sadlier-Oxford **Progress in Mathematics** Text, Practice book and worksheets.)

- Material to be covered through the year.
- 1. Place Value
- 2. Addition
- 3. Subtraction
- 4. Multiplication Concepts and Facts
- 5. Division Concepts and Facts
- 6. More Multiplication and Division Facts
- 7. Statistics and Probability
- 8. Measurement and Time
- 9. Geometry
- 10. Multiply By One Digit
- 11. Divide By One Digit
- 12. Fractions
- 13. Decimals
- 14. Get Ready For Algebra
- Grades primarily based on homework, work in class, and tests.

Science

- Use the Houghton Mifflin **Science**
- **Use of the text, activities, videos, and internet.**
- Unit C Earth's Surface
- Unit D The Earth in Space
- Unit E Matter

Reptiles – animal to be studied in third grade.

Grades derived from tests, homework, work in class, projects, and activities.

Social Studies

- Use the McGraw Hill text **Communities**
- (Cover communities, geography, map skills)
- Study guides for most chapter reviews
- Projects : Native Americans

U.S. Presidents

Continents to be studied:

Antarctica

Australia

Assessments: tests, work in class, homework, projects

Religion

Use of Sadlier text **We Believe**

- Study Guide for most tests
- Topics: Jesus, the early Church through today, the Church Year, the Marks of the Church, the Sacraments
- Assessments: tests, work in class, homework, projects
- Mass bi-weekly and holydays
- Priests visit the classroom
- Reconciliation Service twice a year