

# GRACE ACADEMY

## What to Expect in Second Grade

### **Bible** (God's Great Covenant, Pt. 1: Genesis - Exodus)

1. Genesis: Creation, Adam and Eve, Noah, The Tower of Babel, Abraham, Isaac, Jacob, Joseph
2. Exodus: Moses, The Ten Plagues, The Exodus, The Ten Commandments, Israel's idolatry
3. Memorization: Catechism Questions #1-34, Matthew 6:19-21 (with "Ozymandias" poem), Selections from Hebrews 11, "Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob" song, "Ten Commandments Song"

### **Math** (Saxon Math 3)

- Calendar
- Pattern problems, math facts, fact families
- Time to the minute, temperature, measuring with a ruler
- Addition, subtraction, multiplication, division
- Story problems--addition/subtraction, multiplication/division
- Money--counting and making change
- Polygons, geometric solids
- Rounding to tens, hundreds, and thousands
- Fractions and fraction number sentences
- Number lines

### **History** (Ancient Egypt)

- Ancient Egyptian Civilization: Introduction to history/archaeology, the first Egyptians, Nile River, Egyptian daily life
- The Old Kingdom, Middle Kingdom, New Kingdom, and the Intermediate Periods (including pharaohs, mummies, pyramids, hieroglyphics, etc.)
- Egyptian daily life
- Memorization: "Amazing Egyptians" song, "Ozymandias" poem

### **Literature**

- *Nate the Great*
- *My Father's Dragon*
- *The Courage of Sarah Noble*
- *Bears on Hemlock Mountain*
- *Sarah, Plain and Tall*
- *Stone Fox*
- *The Boxcar Children #1*
- *The Velveteen Rabbit*
- *Charlotte's Web*
- *Little House in the Big Woods*
- *The Great Wonder*
- *Mummies Made in Egypt*

- *Senefer*
- *Tut's Mummy: Lost...And Found*
- Various Egyptian read-aloud books

### **Natural History** (Exploring Creation with Botany)

- Botany, seeds, flowers, pollination, fruits, leaves

### **Phonics, Spelling and Handwriting** (Saxon Phonics & Spelling 2)

- Daily phonics lessons
- Weekly phonics and spelling tests
- Daily handwriting of spelling words
  - 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter: Manuscript review
  - 2<sup>nd</sup>-4<sup>th</sup> Quarter: Cursive
- Daily handwriting practice sheets

### **Grammar** (Shurley Method)

- Recite grammar jingles
- Editing skills
- Capitalization and punctuation rules
- Declarative and interrogative sentences, synonyms and antonyms, singular and plural nouns, common and proper nouns
- Parts of speech: noun, verb, adjective, adverb, article adjective, pronoun, preposition, object of the preposition
- Sentence classification
- Writing dictation, writing book reports, writing 2-point paragraphs and descriptive paragraphs
- Simple and complete subjects and predicates

### **Music**

- Distinctly Christian with the study and singing of traditional hymns
- Distinctly Classical with the study of the works of great composers
- Distinctly Academic with the study and singing of folk songs, rhythm, and pitch
- Distinctly Inspired with the use of instruments
- Distinctly Musical with performances at Lessons & Carols and Fine Arts Evening

### **Art**

Art is integrated into the content areas of Bible, History, Math Literature and Science.

Art Concepts studied include:

- Understand and apply the Elements of design- line, shape, color, texture, value, space found in God's creation
- Understand and apply the Principles of design-contrast, emphasis, balance, unity, pattern, movement and rhythm found in God's creation
- Color theory: primary colors, secondary colors, tints and shades, warm and cool
- Discuss how art tells stories about people, historical events and culture
- Compare different styles of art: realism, abstract, expressionism,
- Recognize that artists' styles change over time
- Describe and use proportion correctly in art works

- Understand positive and negative shapes
- Observe design in natural organisms
- Differentiate between 2-D and 3-D
- Identify jobs in art

***Art media and techniques include:***

- Drawing with graphite pencils, vine charcoal, colored pencils and markers
- Painting with watercolors, tempera and tempera paint
- Cutting, joining, curling, folding and tearing paper
- Printmaking
- Sculpture

**Physical Education**

Physical education at Grace Academy serves many purposes. Not only do we focus on skill building and physical activities, but the importance of exercise, healthy living and proper nutrition. We emphasize participation, cooperation and sportsmanship as a team member.

Activities to achieve these goals include:

- Throwing/Catching
- Locomotor Skills
- Movement ed/games
- Jump rope long/short
- Juggling
- Basketball Skills
- rhythm unit and performance
- Kicking/Punting
- Recreational games
- Cooperative games
- Marathon kids

**Field Trips**

- Pioneer Farms
- Elgin Evergreen Farms