

## CURRICULUM OVERVIEW

# GRADE 1

### Lower School



## Reading

Reading fluency and comprehension

**Curriculum:** Lalilo, Spalding, phonics, Freckle, reading strategies in a workshop approach

**Strategies:** Making connections, predicting, visualizing, inferring, building good reading habits

**Individualized Approach:**

Students may be working at grade level or above.

**Literacy in the Library:** Weekly students have dedicated literacy instruction time to check out books, grow their literacy skills and passion for reading and research.

## Math

**Curriculum:** Saxon, MathFactLab and supplementary resources

**Individualized Placement:**

Typical Level: Math 1  
Advanced Levels: Math 2 or Math 3

*Each student is assessed and placed at the best learning level for his/her current ability.*

## Writing

**Curriculum:** Writing strategies in a workshop approach

**Content:** Personal narrative, information writing, opinion writing

## Science

**Curriculum:** Lab-based science program

**Content:** Matter; Earth, sun, moon, and stars; magnets; sound; simple machines; tide pools

## Social Studies

**Curriculum:** American studies

**Content:** Communities; explorers, leaders, and inventors; pioneers; continents; oceans; American holidays

## Grammar

**Curriculum:** Shurley Grammar

**Content:** Nouns and verbs, adjectives, capitalization and punctuation

## Bible

**Curriculum:** The Jesus Storybook Bible

Bible characters and stories including David, Daniel, the Prophets, Jesus' birth, life of Jesus

## Specialists

Art  
Lab Science  
Language  
Music  
Physical Education  
Programming & Math  
Foundations

## Field Trips

Edmonds Beach  
Northwest  
Railway Museum  
Pioneer Toys  
Kids Quest  
Kelsey Creek  
Farms

## Highlights

Three plays based on literature  
Innovation Lab  
Reading Buddies  
Christmas at Bear Creek  
Dads 'n Donuts  
Mothers Tea  
Evening of Artists  
Authors Celebration