Second Grade
2026-2027 School Year
Arborbrook Christian Academy

LANGUAGE ARTS



Subject	Texts and Sources Used
Literature	• *Mrs. Piggle Wiggle* • *The Trumpet of the Swan* • *The World According to Humphrey* • *Stuart Little* (as time allows) • *The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe* by C.S. Lewis • *Little House on the Prairie (as time allows)* • *Black History Month Collection*
Writing	• Poetry & descriptive writing • Narrative writing • Informative writing • Opinion writing • Personal letter
Phonics	*Wilson Reading System Fundations Level 2* *Reading and Spelling of the Six Syllable Types:* Closed, Vowel-Consonant-E, R–Controlled, Open Syllable, Double Vowel, Final Stable Syllable
Copy Work, Dictation & Handwriting	Teacher led copy work & dictation from *Wilson Fundations Level 2* and passages from literature being read in class which may include poetry. Literature excerpts chosen are worthy of emulation and gradually increase length of passages during the course of the year. Handwriting: Manuscript
Grammar, Spelling & Vocabulary	*Wilson Fundations* Spelling & vocabulary in context of phonics lessons, copywork & dictations
Narration	Narrations are done in a variety of ways: orally, written, drawings, acting it out, or role playing. Tasks are set to the children to make them condense, classify, generalise, infer, judge, visualise, discriminate, labour with their minds in one way or another (AmblesideOnline).
Poetry & Recitation	Christina Rosetti poetry including: • "Who has Seen the Wind?" • "Boats Sail on the Rivers (The Rainbow)" • "What is Pink?" • "Growing in the Vale (Lady Daffadowndilly)" • "The Caterpillar" • "In the Bleak Mid-Winter" (Christmas) • "How Many Seconds in a Minute?" (as time allows) • "To My Mother" (Mother's Day)

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MATH, SCIENCE, & NATURE STUDY

Subject	Texts and Sources Used
Math	*Eureka Math² (Great Minds) Level 2: Ten Tens* • Place Value Concepts Through Metric Measurement & Data • Addition & Subtraction Within 200 • Shapes & Time with Fraction Concepts • Addition & Subtraction Within 1,000 • Money, Data, and Customary Measurement • Multiplication and Division Foundations
Science:	Study of Biomes & Ecosystems • Desert • Arctic • Grassland • Rainforest *Apologia: Exploring Creation with Land Animals* *One Small Square Books*
Nature Study	• Fall Theme: Patterns and Change o Edible School Garden- sowing/harvesting o Interdependence o Nature journaling • Winter Theme: Discovery and Observation o Winter nature trail walks and games o Animal habitats, exploring animal tracks o Nature journaling • Spring Theme: Community and Interdependence o Exploring vernal ponds o Parts of a frog, frog lifecycle o Edible school garden- sowing/harvesting o Nature journaling • Read about the Naturalists of the Year: Lewis & Clark, Jane Goodall

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HISTORY, INSPIRATIONAL STUDIES, GEOGRAPHY, & BIBLE

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History: *American History Mid 1700's-Mid 1800's: Native Americans, Westward Exploration, Pioneers*	• *A Picture Book of Sacagawea* by David A. Adler • *Lewis and Clark: Explorers of the American West* • *How We Crossed the West; The Adventures of Lewis and Clark* • *Little House Chapter Books* • *Going West series* • *A Daniel Boone Picture Book by David A. Adler* • *Johnny Appleseed* by Steven Kellogg • *If You Traveled West in a Covered Wagon by* Ellen Levine • *A Pioneer Sampler by* Barbara Greenwood • *Little House on the Prairie* by Wilder (as time allows) • *Buffalo Bill* by D'Aulaire • *Jed Smith: Trailblazer of the West (excerpts)* by Frank Latham • *California Gold Rush* by Peter and Connie Roop • *Buffalo Bill and the Pony Express* by Eleanor Coerr
Picture Study	**Paintings from the Time Period:** • Paintings by Bierstadt, artist of the year • "The Sunny Hours of Childhood" by Edward Lamson Henry • Paintings by Vincent van Gogh*
Composer Study	**American Folk Music** • *Go Tell it on the Mountain* • *Wait for the Wagon* • *Sweet Betsy from Pike* • *O Susannah* • *Westward Ho!*
Geography	• Identify the locations of 5 major rivers in the United States • Identify the mid-western states and northwestern states • Identify North America and South America • Learn compass directions: NE, SE, NW, and SW
Bible	*The Biggest Story Curriculum* • The Gospels, Acts, Epistles & Revelation (1st cycle) • Hymn studies • Journaling