

SECOND GRADE CURRICULUM
Valley Christian Elementary School
2006-2007

BIBLE (Biblical Choices) Exodus, lessons from the life of Jesus, weekly memory verse, daily devotions.

MATH (McGraw-Hill)

Addition and subtraction to 20, addition and subtraction of 2- and 3-digit numbers with regrouping, money to \$10.00, telling time to 5 minutes, fractions and probability, statistics and graphs, geometry (2- and 3-D shapes), multiplication/division of 2s, 5s, and 10s, place value through 4 digits, measurement, elementary pre-algebra concepts.

LANGUAGE ARTS (Open Court, 2002)

Open Court is an integrated language arts program covering literature, reading comprehension strategies, phonics review, language and spelling. Sentences (telling and asking), punctuation, possessive words, compound words, rhyming, antonyms and synonyms, proper nouns, verbs (past and present), contractions, paragraph form, and creative writing. Weekly spelling tests, dictation.

HANDWRITING

Review of cursive, teaching of manuscript in spring.

SCIENCE (McGraw-Hill and teacher developed)

Life cycle of plants and animals, geology (rocks, fossils, soil), forces (push/pull, magnets, levers, pulleys). Hands-on science labs are taught monthly by a science specialist.

SOCIAL STUDIES

Map skills, people who make a difference, long ago vs. today, governmental institutions and practices.

MUSIC

Classroom music is taught every other week by our music teacher. All students participate in choir.

PE

Twice a week, a P.E. specialist works with the students on specific skills at their level.

ART

Art is taught every other week by an art specialist. Students are introduced to master artists, art principles and concepts, and have fun with a wide variety of media.

FIELD TRIPS

1. Gizdich Ranch in Watsonville
2. Campbell Historical Museum
3. Almaden Nursery

ADDITIONAL ENRICHMENT PROGRAMS

Computers, Spanish