



Fourth Grade Curriculum

Homework

- An average of 40 min. a night depending on the student.



Bible

Bible Stories:

- Overview of the O.T. books: Genesis through Ruth.
- In depth study of I & II Samuel, I & II Kings, I & II Chronicles, Esther, Daniel and the return of the Exiles

Attributes of God the Father: Love, Faithful, Patient,
Holy, Friend, Protector, Awesome

Attributes of Jesus: King

Attributes of the Holy Spirit: Inspirer of the Word

Bible Memory: Psalm 23, Psalm 100, Books of the O.T.,
Matthew 6:19-27, John 3:16-19, Romans 8:28, Romans
8:31&32, Romans 8:37-39, The Good News verses

Devotions:

- Classroom devotions using devotional and picture books
- Student participation on a variety of levels
- Grade level singing

Service Projects:

- Dresser Ministry
- Sponsor Philippines student



Field Trips

- Outdoor Discovery Center: Native Americans, Lansing, John Ball Zoo, Outdoor Discovery Center: Pond Study or Rocks/ Minerals Study



Music

- Recorder: Breath control, fingering, playing appropriate style, reading and interpreting musical symbols
- Tone Color: Explore making sounds and different instrument families



Technology

- Be able to use Microsoft Word
- Be able to organize and arrange information for a multimedia presentation; create and import images from a variety of sources.
- Be able to manipulate text and graphics, and then save and print
- Be able to enter information in an existing spreadsheet in Microsoft Excel and be able to create a chart using the data
- Be able to retrieve and manipulate within and between applications (from Internet images to Microsoft Word and Power Point)



Social Studies

- Map skills during the first six weeks using a plastic desktop map
- Study of our state, Michigan





Reading

Comprehension Strategies include: connecting, visualizing, questioning, inferring, determining importance, synthesizing

Genres of Literature: Realistic Fiction, Fantasy, Poetry, Biography

Students respond to the books by journaling, answering questions, creating graphic organizers, and completing projects.

Guided Reading Groups: provides various levels of reading instruction



P.E.

- Locomotor & non-locomotor skills
- Skills, rules and regulations, strategy, terminology for soccer, floor hockey, basketball, volleyball, softball
- Fitness components: muscle strength, muscle endurance, flexibility, agility, endurance
- Skills, events, terminology, and equipment for track



Media Center

- Review: Using Library Search,
- Library Organization: Find books on shelf
- Reference section: Encyclopedia, atlases, both print and online
- Review genres: realistic fiction, historical fiction, biography, information, poetry





Art

- Line: contour, mola (Matisse)
- Unity/harmony in design
- Space: space created by overlap (Van Gogh), size variations
- Drawing on the right side of the brain
- Following line to create shape, purposeful texture and space
- Amaté bark paintings (culture)
- O'Keefe enlargements: flowers, abstraction by enlargement, positive/negative space
- Claude Monet: impressionism, use of color wheel to mix
- Georges Braque: collage
- Sculpture: human form, proportions, Renaissance (David)



Writing

Process:

- Traits include: Ideas, Organization, Sentence Fluency, Word Choice, Voice, and Conventions
- Projects include: paragraph writing, narrative writing, expository writing, friendly letters, and poetry

Spelling:

- Spelling lists based on spelling patterns and phonetic chunks
- My Words based on daily work spelling errors

Grammar:

- Units include: nouns, verbs, pronouns, and adjectives.
- Daily Oral Language: Daily sentence review of grammar and punctuation.

Penmanship - Continued practice in cursive





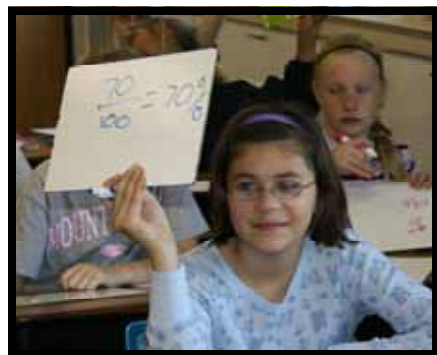
Math

Number-Review adding and subtracting multi-digit numbers, multiplication and division, adding and subtracting decimals

Geometry - perimeter and area for polygons, reflection and symmetry, quadrilaterals, polygons, and an introduction to weight and volume

Graphs - Organizing data, finding landmarks such as: mode, median, range, maximum, and minimum

Fractions - renaming fractions as decimals and percentages, comparing fractions, finding equivalent fractions



Science

- Magnets and Electricity
- Earth Materials
- Motion, Force, and Energy
- Animal Behavior

