

SECOND GRADE CLASS OVERVIEW

Due to current COVID-19 restrictions, class size maximum is currently 14 students. We have invested in what we consider to be the best, most effective curriculum available that is consistent with our philosophy of education that is also either biblically-based or does not conflict with our biblical values. All curriculum is proven, highly effective, provides a multi-sensory learning approach, and is engaging.

Bible:

ACSI's (Association of Christian Schools Int'l) theme is Bible Heroes with a focus on character traits. The second-grade curriculum builds on what students learned in first grade. Students continue learning about a variety of Old and New Testament Bible characters, as well as New Testament stories of Jesus and some of his parables. Strong emphasis is placed on the application of biblical truths to the daily lives of second grade students. There are cross-curricular connections with other academic subjects and music and memory verses are integrated into lessons. Each student has a workbook that includes daily real-life applications and engaging activities.



Language Arts:

Foundations, by Wilson Language, is a recognized leader in multisensory, structured language programs. It brings more than a decade of research-based materials and strategies essential for a comprehensive reading, spelling, and handwriting program. It develops foundational skills in phonemic awareness, phonics and word studies, high frequency word study, reading fluency, comprehension strategies as well as handwriting and spelling. Students are placed in readers based on their reading level. Wilson Foundations makes learning to read fun and ensures no student “falls through the cracks”.



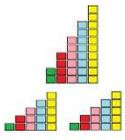
Grammar & Writing:

In Bob Jones University Press' English curriculum students cover one part of speech at a time with systematic review and ample practice, helping them develop writing skills and guiding them through the writing process as they write reports, stories, descriptions, poems, letters, and essays. The emphasis is on traditional grammar, such as parts of speech, sentence structure, and mechanics, and provides practice with essential reference skills. It also explains the step-by-step use of the Writing Process for eight different types of writing assignments, such as a friendly letter, a make-believe story, instructions, a book report, and more.



Math:

ACSI's (Association of Christian Schools Int'l) curriculum incorporates rigorous standards and benchmarks for math literacy and learning, including those of the National Council of Teachers of



Mathematics. It uses a variety of manipulatives, investigation, and modeling to produce students who understand the concepts and can think mathematically. There is an emphasis on a STEM interdisciplinary approach, which integrates Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics in hands-on and relevant learning opportunities. It also integrates an authentic biblical Christian worldview perspective of mathematics. Second-grade builds on the previous grade level and reviews previous concepts utilizing lessons with hands-on activities, conceptual understanding, problem solving, application, modeling, reasoning, and strands of algebra and geometry. Second grade builds and expands on patterns, place value, addition and subtraction, basic geometry, measurement, time and money, fractions, multi-digit numbers, graphs and maps and adds basic multiplication and division.

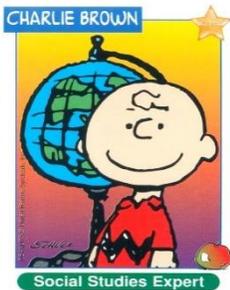
Science:

ACSI's (Association of Christian Schools Int'l) science program reflects the requirements set forth by the National Science Education Standards, as well as portions of the Next Generation Science Standards where they best fit. It allows students to experience science from a biblical worldview through engaging, inquiry-based instruction that develops critical thinking skills. Lessons offer many hands-on activities engaging students in discovery, exploration, and investigation of God's purposefully designed world. Science equipment kits are also purchased along with full-color and engaging student books to provide a well-rounded and rich experience. Second-grade materials focus on the basics of life, physical, and earth science, as well as the human body, building and expanding on concepts taught in first grade.



Social Studies:

Bob Jones University Press' Heritage Studies textbooks use a chronological narrative approach to acquaint elementary-level students with historical people, places, and events. Activities, discussion questions, timelines, maps, and online searches are also employed to aid students' comprehension and retention of the materials. Second-grade explores American culture in colonial times from Jamestown to the War for Independence. The text features colorful illustrations and discussions of colonial farming, shop keeping, clothing, and also interesting information about kings and queens in Europe ruling at the time, all presented in understandable language for the 2nd-grade level.



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