

Second Grade

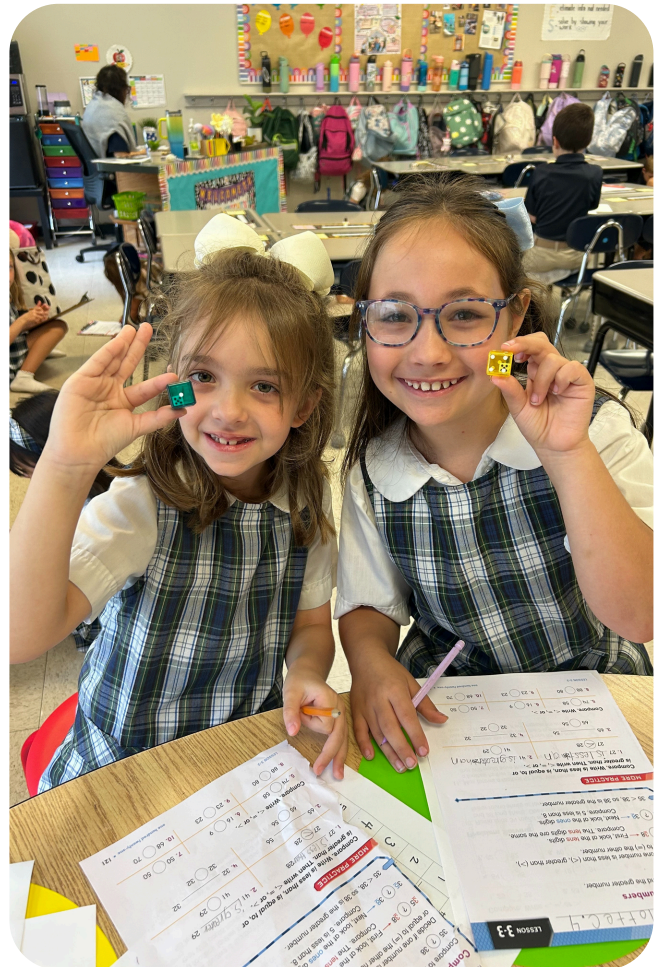
With a focus on study skills and the responsibility of keeping an organized agenda, Second Graders gain independence and confidence in themselves. Second grade is an instrumental year in a child's faith and relationship with Jesus as (s)he makes the sacraments of Reconciliation and First Holy Communion. Second graders will begin to better use graphic organizers to understand information, make predictions in relation to literature, and relate to characters in a story. Continued emphasis is placed on fluency in reading, math facts, and comprehension.

Religion

- Prepare to receive God's love and Mercy in the Sacrament of Reconciliation
- Prepare to receive God, Himself, in the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass at their First Holy Communion
- Explore God's plan for his people starting with a study creation, the original sin, and the gift of free will
- Discover the Old and New Testaments by focusing on Abraham, Moses and the Ten Commandments and Jesus' life, public ministry, and salvific mission.
- Celebrate the call to live the mission of the Church through a study of the Blessed Trinity, the Seven Sacraments, the Church year, The Communion of Saints, vocation, and the role of Our Blessed Mother as the Queen of Heaven and Earth.
- Engage in different approaches to prayer including the rosary, intercession, praise, thanksgiving, prayers expressed in art and song, and adoration.
- Prayers to Learn: Act of Contrition, St. Michael Prayer

English Language Arts

- Read texts to build knowledge with essential questions that promote discussion, critical thinking and writing
- Builds comprehension and fluency through independent and guided reading and discussion (guided and partner)
- Uses the writing process to develop and write narrative, expository, and fictional pieces
- Develops and writes paragraphs with transitions and indentation
- Continues to use eye contact, appropriate rate of speech, and inflection for an oral presentation
- Utilizes graphic organizers to organize thoughts and ideas
- Encourages collaboration and ownership of learning



Science

- Explore and research the animal kingdoms and characteristics of each
- Predators and camouflage
- Explain the water cycle and create representations of each of the steps.
- Uses scientific vocabulary terms when participating in science experiments
- Analyzes agriculture and the plant life cycle
- Evaluate the migration of various animals
- Describe the characteristics and responsibilities of astronauts and design a space station

Social Studies

- Studies customs and traditions of other cultures
- Participates in Advents customs and traditions in the Catholic Church
- Researches U.S. coins in correlation to their study of money
- Compare and contrast customs, traditions and holidays around the world
- Research and present about famous people in history
- Fall on the Farm field trip

Math

- Acquiring fluency of addition and subtraction facts within 20
- Tells time to five minutes
- Identifies and classifies geometric shapes
- Solves simple word problems
- Understands place value concepts through the hundreds place
- Identifies and counts coins and bills
- Begins to identify simple fractions as parts of a whole and compare equivalent fractional values
- Completes patterns with multiple variables
- Solves two and three digit addition and subtraction problems with and without regrouping
- Identifies and uses standard and non-standard units of measure

