

# 1st and 2nd grade Focus

## English

### *Literature Based*

Chapter Book Based  
Character Setting and Plot Development  
Independent Reading

### *Language Skills*

Identify and Use of Parts of Speech  
Past Present Future  
Patterns and Rules

### *Writing Development*

Poetry and Creative Writing  
Story building  
Report Writing  
Research Writing  
Letter Writing  
Editing Techniques  
Prewriting Activities  
Journaling  
Cursive Writing

Spelling is based upon vocabulary word lists (CC) and language patterns

## Science

Scientific Process, Experimentation, Observation Skills, Appropriate Measurement and Conversion, Magnetism, States of Matter, Changes and Life Cycles, Habitats and Environments (Biomes), Weather and its Effects on Living Things and on the Earth, Plants as Producers and proper lab writing techniques.

Individual Science Projects

## Social Studies

1st grade  
Historical Sequencing, Time Lines, History Overview, Geography, Economics, Producers and Consumers, Commerce, Recognizing National Symbols

2nd grade

Ancient Cultures of China and Egypt, Map Skills, Legends, Elements of Commerce in early and ancient cultures, Individual Contributions to Our Country, Explorers, World Leaders and Inventors, Artists and Writers, Military Masterminds, Great Teachers

## Math

1st grade  
Addition, Subtraction, Place Value, Comparison, Patterns, Standard and Non standard Measurement, Estimation, Money, Time, Geometry, Reading and Making Charts and Graphs, Problem Solving,

2nd grade  
Number Comparison, Simple fractions, Patterned Counting, Estimation, Computation, Addition, Subtraction, Multiplication, Problem Solving, Measurement, Geometry, Interpreting Charts and graphs, Numeric Sentences with Variables

## Health and P.E.

Healthy Living, Personal Care, Disease Prevention  
Managing Stress, Exercise, and Cardiovascular Fitness  
Substance Abuse and the Effects on the body  
Conflict Resolution and Interpersonal Skills  
Healthy Eating  
Physical Activities and Exercise as part of a healthy lifestyle  
Rhythmic Movement  
Developing Skill for different muscular and movement activities.

## Music and Arts

Sing in tune and with clear tone quality  
Group singing  
Music Reading  
Rhythmic Dance  
Folk Dance and/or Choreography  
Creative Percussion  
Instrumental Music Groups  
Identify Instruments from Other Cultures  
Identify different parts on sheet music  
Musical history periods and Composers

Explore hue, line, shape, shades, texture, space,

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value, perspective to create work  
Reproduce artwork from a historical time period  
Expression through art work  
Computer Art  
three-dimensional Art  
Line Art  
Bas-Relief  
Use Art and architecture to compare cultural differences in societies  
Look for the influence of events, media and subject matter in work  
Cultural Areas of study: Pre-Columbian, African-American, Colonial American and European  
Discuss likes and dislikes concerning a piece of artwork  
Categorize work by media, subject, artist and genre, and also by representational, nonrepresentational and abstract

### **Homework:**

1 to 3 subject each night: about 1 hour total.  
Weekends only for long-term projects  
Repetitive practice for skills introduced in class  
Projects and activities that may need parental supervision or involvement  
Writing papers  
Research  
Reading  
Projects