

Who We Are

About Us

Joyful and authentically Catholic school with a curriculum that provides a foundation in what is good, true and beautiful

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SIXTH GRADE



ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI SCHOOL
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Curriculum Summary



Summary of the Year

Sixth grade students at St. Francis School focus on preparing for Middle School by mastering measurable goals across the curriculum. They sharpen communication and research skills while using their independence to foster and mentor younger students and foreign students as correspondents.

Specials

Art, Music, Latin, Spanish, Computers, Gym, Library, Natural Sciences, Tin Whistle

Extracurricular & Clubs:

Band, Choir, Lego League, Ski Program, Squires

YEARLY CURRICULUM

Language Arts

Reading

Books read by sixth grade students include: *Everything for a Dog* by Ann M. Martin; *From the Mixed-up Files of Mrs. Basil E. Frankweiler* by E.L. Konigsburg; *Maniac Magee* by Jerry Spinelli; *Bridge to Terabithia* by Katherine Paterson; *The Cricket in Times Square* by George Seldon; *The Lemonade War* by Jacqueline Davies; *Little House on the Prairie* by Laura Ingalls Wilder; *Sarah, Plain and Tall* by Patricia MacLachlan; *Shiloh* by Phyllis R. Naylor; *Matilda* by Roald Dahl; *The Friendship Doll* by Kirby Larson.

Concepts include an analysis of how authors use dialogue, imagery, and mood to develop plot, characters, point of view, and themes in literature. They will read, re-tell and summarize grade-level appropriate narrative and informational texts.

Writing

Students will read samples of good writing and identify the strengths and weakness of their own writing. They will master writing strategies such as suspense and dialogue. A writing workshop with contemporaries will aid sixth graders to publish their tall tales with illustrations.

Mathematics

The sixth grade reviews and enriches their knowledge of number sense and operations. Operations include addition, subtraction, multiplication, and division with whole numbers, fractions, decimals, and integers. Sixth grade mathematics is about connecting ratio and rate to whole numbers with multiplication and division and using concepts of ratio and rate to solve problems. The emphasis this year is to encourage the use of logical reasoning in solving all types of problem solving.

Social Studies

Sixth graders study the World History, Eastern and Western civilizations, the rise and spread of civilizations and the early modern world. The class emphasizes introductions to world maps and cultures.

Science

Students will think as scientists, investigating cells and microbes; the study of fossils, oceanography, motion and gravity. Students will study the scientific method and create a project for the annual Science fair.

Religion

Sixth graders study the Ten Commandments, the Beatitudes, and Holy Mass. Themes are geared toward the spiritual and corporal works of mercy.