

A Day in the Life of a 2nd Grader



Resurrection School, Sunnyvale, CA

Sample Monday and Tuesday schedules

In second grade we use standards based grading and report cards. Our specials include Library time, art, music, Spanish, and P.E. twice a week.

Monday Schedule	
8:00 - 8:30	Morning Prayer and Flag Salute - School Wide Morning Routine
8:30 - 10:30	Language Arts
10:30 - 10:45	Recess
10:45 - 11:30	Math
11:30 - 12:00	<i>Spanish</i>
12:00 - 12:15	Read Aloud
12:15 - 1:00	Lunch
1:05 - 1:15	Homework Writing
1:15 - 1:45	Writing
1:45 - 2:15	Religion
2:15 - 2:55	Science
2:55 - 3:00	Prayer/Pack Up/Dismissal

Tuesday Schedule	
8:00 - 8:30	Morning Prayer and Flag Salute - School Wide Morning Routine
8:30 - 9:05	Language Arts
9:05 - 9:35	<i>P.E.</i>
9:35 - 10:30	Language Arts
10:30 - 10:45	Recess
10:45 - 10:50	Kahoot
10:50 - 11:50	Art
11:50 - 12:15	Read Aloud/Write
12:15 - 1:00	Lunch
1:05 - 1:15	Homework Writing
1:15 - 2:15	Math
2:15 - 2:55	Writing
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Language Arts

- 1) Preparing to Read: Phonics, Phonemic awareness, Sounds and letters, Word knowledge
 - 2) Reading and Responding: Authentic literature, Comprehension, Inquiry & investigation, Practical reading applications
 - 3) Language Arts and Writing: Spelling, Vocabulary, Writing process strategies, Writer's craft, Grammar, usage & mechanics, Listening, speaking & viewing, Penmanship
- Textbook: Open Court Reading*

Step Up To Writing introduces students to the language of writing. It shows students how to get actively involved with reading, how to write organized paragraphs and stories, and it provides solid sentence-writing activities at the primary level. Step Up To Writing is used at Resurrection School in 1st through 8th grades.

Math

Our second grade students learn addition and subtraction into the thousands, place value, the use of the decimal point, time and measurement, patterns, money, fractions and probability, geometry and measurement. Students also "explore" multiplication and division. Word problems, critical thinking, visual thinking, decision thinking and mental math are presented and taught.

Textbook: Houghton Mifflin Harcourt

Religion

The second grade program encourages the development of Christian attitudes and values. This program enables the children to understand and appreciate the celebration of Mass. The stories of saints, discussion, sharing of personal faith experiences, role playing, music and art help the children experience and appreciate kindness, honesty, forgiveness, concern for others and other Christian values. Preparation for the Sacraments received in the second grade, Reconciliation and First Holy Communion begin the first day of school and are reinforced all year long.

Textbook: Silver Burdett - Blest Are We & Benziger Family Life Series

Social Studies

The "Reflections - People We Know" program along with Open Court Reading Program and Religion gives the students new insights into their communities and helps them make connections to the larger world. Students learn about how families change over time. Through reading they meet special people who are remembered for their important work.

Textbook: Harcourt Brace

Science

The second grade science program consists of 3 units: 1) Life Science 2) Earth Science 3) Physical Science Each science book has activities that are grade appropriate and involve discussion and critical thinking. Open Court Reading also integrates science into the overall program.

Textbook: Scott Foresman California Science

Technology Education/Integration

In 2nd Grade, we have 1 iPad for every 2 students and we use them in small groups with applications for math and language arts. We use ST Math in our math rotations to help differentiate and individualize the learning for a child's specific needs. We also use Lexia to support growths in phonics and reading development and RAZ-Kids as an online reading tool that supports reading fluency and comprehension.

Spanish

Twice a week students participate in a ten to thirty minute conversational Spanish class. At this introductory level, songs, basic greetings, colors, numbers, animals, and body parts are covered.