

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 - 8:10	Morning Prayer and Flag Salute - School wide
8:10 - 8:35	Unpack Explore/Coding, Building, Designing, Creating (hands-on learning time)
8:30 - 10:35	Language Arts
10:30 - 10:45	Recess
10:45 - 11:30	Math
11:30 - 12:00	Spanish
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 - 8:10	Morning Prayer and Flag Salute - School wide
8:10 - 8:35	Unpack Explore/Coding, Building, Designing, Creating (hands-on learning time)
8:30 - 9:05	Language Arts
9:05 - 9:35	P.E.
9:35 - 10:30	Language Arts
10:30 - 10:45	Recess
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
2:55 - 3:00	Prayer/Pack Up/Dismissal



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: McGraw-Hill Wonders

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: GO Math

Religion

The second grade program fosters 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 “Studies Weekly” program includes online and hands on materials. This combines with along with the “Wonders” Reading Program and Religion to teach 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: Studies Weekly

Science

The second grade science program consists of 4 units: 1) Animal Biodiversity 2) Plant Adaptations 3) Erosion and Earth's Surface 4) Properties & Phases of Matter. The students do explorations and hands-on work weekly.

Textbook: Mystery Science

Technology Education/Integration

Using the 1:1 iPad ratio, students use applications for math and language arts. Small group rotations use ST Math to help differentiate and individualize the learning for a child's specific needs. Lexia is an ELA tool to support growth in phonics and reading development. RAZ-Kids is an online reading tool that supports reading fluency and comprehension. Spelling City is a tool for vocabulary and spelling.

Computer Science and Coding

Second grade students learn how to program **Sphero robots** using block coding. Using these powerful problem solving tools, the students complete projects that combine programming and academics. Using their robots, the students present their poems, stories, teach spelling words, demonstrate map skills, solve math problems, run science experiments and much more. This fosters critical thinking, collaboration, independence, problem solving and creativity.

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.

Plus Music, Art, P.E. and Library