

First Baptist Christian School

1st GRADE COURSE DESCRIPTIONS

Subject: Bible

Textbook(s): Bible Truths: A Father's Care (Bob Jones Press)

- Chronological and thematic study of the Old and New Testaments
- Bible characters include: Noah, Abraham, Moses, Jesus, Adoniram Judson
- Themes include: God keeps His promises, God's guidance, God's care, God gives strength, Bible, prayer
- Bible study skills: Using the table of contents to locate a verse
- Bible memory verses

Assessment: Unit tests, quizzes, oral memory verse evaluation, class participation

Additional Activities: Chapel on Wednesdays, Class presentation in chapel

Subject: Reading/Phonics

Textbook(s): Handbook for Reading, Fun With Pets, Tiptoes, Secrets and Surprises, Animals in the Great Outdoors, Kind and Brave, Down By the Sea, No Longer a Nobody, Story Tree, Treasure Chest, Hidden Treasure, Paths of God, Pulling Together, Letters and Sounds 1 (all A Beka Book)

- Review of vowels, consonants, blends, one-and-two vowel words, consonant blends
- Recognition and use of all phonics special sounds in reading
- Spelling rules: doubling consonants, dropping silent *e*, changing *y* to *i*
- Oral reading

Assessment: Oral reading evaluation, daily worksheets, leveled reading/comprehension (3-4/year), phonics test weekly, homework

Additional Activities: Use of Mimio for phonics chart games

Subject: Language

Textbook(s): Language 1 (A Beka Book), Writing Journal (Lakeshore)

- Capitalization of first word in a sentence, proper names, days of the week and months of the year
- Correct punctuation at the ends of sentences
- Recognition of complete sentences
- Words using suffixes, prefixes, syllables, compound words, rhyming words, opposite words, same meaning words, and contractions
- Alphabetizing of words
- Writing complete sentences and short stories
- Creative writing

Assessment: Journal writing, creative writing, short stories, daily worksheets, homework

Subject: Spelling
Textbook(s): Spelling and Poetry 1 (A Beka Book)
• Weekly phonics-based word list
• Weekly test with phonics
• Reinforcement activities
Assessment: Weekly tests, workbook pages, homework
Additional Activities: Spellingcity.com

Subject: Handwriting
Textbook(s): Writing with Phonics Cursive1, Writing with Phonics Manuscript 1 (A Beka Book)
• Review of letter formation in both cursive and manuscript
• Daily seat work practice in all academic areas
Assessment: Weekly tests, daily worksheets

Subject: Math
Textbook(s): Mathematics 1 (ACSI Purposeful Design 2nd edition)
• Addition: Basic facts to 12; Doubles and near doubles; Adding three addends; Adding two-digit numbers
• Subtraction: Basic facts to 12; Subtracting with doubles; Subtracting two-digit numbers
• Multiplication: Exploring multiplication by making equal sets
• Division: Exploring sharing-type division
• Patterns: Objects: sorting, identifying, classifying, and copying; Numbers: skip counting, odd and even, patterns on a hundred chart; Symmetry: translation, rotation, reflection
• Number Theory: Number order through 100; Greater than, less than, and equal to; Ordinal numbers through 10th
• Place Value: Ones and tens; Whole numbers to hundreds; Using place value to add and subtract
• Fractions and Decimals: Identifying equal parts; Identifying one-half, one-third, and one-fourth; Reading and writing fractions
• Measurement: Nonstandard units; US Customary and Metric: length, capacity, weight, and temperature; Estimation and comparison
• Time: Time to the nearest hour, half hour, and quarter hour; Analog and digital clocks; Elapsed time, calendar, and seasons
• Money: Counting pennies, nickels, dimes, and quarters; Comparing amounts; Adding money
• Geometry: Plane figures: circle, hexagon, rectangle, square, triangle, rhombus, and trapezoid; Solid figures: cone, cube, cylinder, and sphere; Using the geoboard
• Algebra: Finding missing addends; Writing number sentences; Order property of addition; Using ordered pairs
• Probability and Statistics: Collecting and organizing data; Making and interpreting tally charts, pictographs, and bar graphs
• Technology: Using calculators for problem solving and finding patterns; Using interactive boards; Using online resources or computers
Assessment: Weekly tests, daily worksheets, homework

Subject: Science

Textbook(s): Science, Level 1 (ACSI Purposeful Design 2nd edition)

- Life Science
 - Ecosystems and Habitats: Life cycles; responses; natural cycles
 - Classification: Characteristics
- Physical Science
 - Energy: sound; work; motion: types; matter: states; force; machines: simple
- Earth and Space
 - Lithosphere
 - Hydrosphere: Processes; properties and states of water
 - Atmosphere: Weather and climate; technology
 - Astronomy: Solar system; moon phases; seasons; stars; space exploration; technology
- Human Body
 - Senses; nervous system; cardiovascular system; digestive system; respiratory system; health; use of technology
- Skills
 - Investigation Skills: Predict; test; calculate; collect data; journal; measure; observe; classify; work independently and collaboratively
 - Critical Thinking Skills: Compare/contrast; interpret data; evaluate; relate cause and effect; make generalizations and judgments
 - Organizational Skills: Data tables/charts; sequence; bar, concept and cycle graphs; sort; illustrate; make models/exhibits
 - Using Technology and Techniques: Hand lens; thermometer; lab safety; measurement

Assessment:

Additional Activities: Experiments, field trips (SSNSC, zoo), Brain Pop Jr.

Subject: History

Textbook(s): My America and My World, Community Helpers Activity Book (A Beka Book)

- America's flag
- America's freedom
- Symbols of America
- Great people of America
- America grows, talks, travels, sings
- America is beautiful
- World: Mexico, Peru, Virgin Islands, Puerto Rico, Bahamas, England, the Netherlands, Norway, France, Germany, Switzerland, Italy, Israel, Egypt, Kenya, India, China, Australia, Guam, American Samoa
- Learning about different careers: pastor, police officer, fireman, teacher, doctor, nurse, dentist, farmer, baker, waiter, mayor, postal employee
- Map skills: major oceans, continents, country, state, town, address, phone number

Assessment: Poster project and oral presentation, in-class interview of parent, map worksheets, group map project

Additional Activities: Brain Pop Jr., Mimio games, Field trips to police and fire stations, postal distribution center, Texas Roadhouse, Stop & Shop

Adjunct Subjects (30-40 minutes/week):

Art, Gym, Music