

# ST. JOHN'S EPISCOPAL SCHOOL

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## THIRD GRADE YEAR AT A GLANCE

The mission at St. John's Episcopal School is for each child to grow in maturity, knowledge, and in spirit. Our goal is to foster positive self esteem through engaging learning experiences. St. John's small class size enables faculty to focus on each child and meet his or her individual needs

### Language Arts / Reading

- Reading comprehension from a variety of texts for context clues, relevant questions and drawing conclusions
- Grade level reading comprehension, accuracy, fluency and vocabulary through selected novels
- Everyday Spelling curriculum is used in conjunction with cross-curricular vocabulary
- Write Steps curriculum is used to reinforce capitalization and punctuation skills, sentence structure, composition and listening / speaking skills
- Grammar terminology and editing for grammar, spelling, and mechanical errors
- Communicate and support their ideas, experiences and feelings in organized written paragraphs
- Experience writing in a variety of forms, including journals, novel responses, songs, poems, letters, stories, and research papers
- Zaner-Bloser is used as a guide for handwriting, working on manuscript and cursive practice

### Mathematics

- Envision Math along with on-line resources focuses on basic facts, operations, quantitative reasoning, algebra, geometry, measuring and probability
- Master basic facts, including those of numerical fluency, place value, money, multiplication and division
- Fractions
- Word problems to develop appropriate problem solving skills using mathematical processes and tools
- Explain all their mathematical thinking through pictures, numbers, and words

### Science

- The National Geographic Science Curriculum units and Discovery Education explore Earth Science including the Earth, Sun, Moon and stars, weather, energy, matter, motion and light
- Scientific inquiry methods by evaluating data, interpreting patterns, and by making observations and conclusions
- Explore physical science such as matter, organisms and the earth's natural resources
- Explore the solar system demonstrating the relationship of the Sun, Earth and Moon
- Use scientific safe practices, investigation and inquiry methods to conduct weekly experiments
- Create a Science Fair entry as a class

### Social Studies

- National, state, and local governments
- Understand how individuals and events influence history
- Understand the concepts of location and how to use a compass rose, grid system, and symbols
- Understand the free enterprise system by creating a product for an economics fair
- Demonstrate skills to determine expenses, profits, net- loss, and create advertisements
- Social Studies weekly periodicals offer insight to the study of community and government

### Enrichments

- Art, Music, Spanish, P.E., Technology, Godly Play and Library

### Religion

- Attend Chapel three days a week (Tuesday for Praise and Worship, Wednesday for Formal Chapel, Thursday for a Class Lead Chapel)
- The students also learn Bible stories in the classroom to promote Christian character