

# Third Grade Curriculum

## Religion

- Read Bible narratives
- Identify law and gospel in Bible stories
- Application from Bible stories to present day living
- Study of the Book of Genesis and other Old Testament stories
- Major emphasis most of the year on gospel stories of the New Testament and the journeys of Paul
- Memory work of knowing Bible verses and the meanings of the books of the Old and New Testaments and commandments
- Parts of prayer, praying out loud, and praying for each other

## Math

- Review of the four operations of addition, subtraction, multiplication and division
- Geometry - two dimensional shapes and three dimensional figures
- Fractions - add, subtract, compare, order, and mixed numbers
- Double digit multiplication
- Long division
- Facts tests
- Problem solving and strategies

## Language Arts

- Reading
  - Students will experience literature from a wide range of genres
  - Reading with fluency will be stressed
  - Vocabulary development
  - Comprehension strategies
  - Accelerated Reader
- Spelling
  - Students learn the major principles and patterns of English spelling
  - Students learn reliable spelling strategies that they can apply to both familiar and unfamiliar words
- English
  - Sentence types
  - Parts of speech
  - Capitalization and punctuation
  - Writing letters, expository paragraphs, descriptive paragraphs, persuasive paragraphs, and narratives
- Penmanship
  - Practice cursive writing
  - Emphasis placed on letter height, form, and connection between letters

## **Science**

- Plant and animal classification
- Adaptations in plants and animals
- Volcanoes and earthquakes
- Rocks, minerals, and fossils
- Magnetism and electricity
- Energy - heat and sound
- Scientific method

## **Social Studies**

- Idaho history including symbols, geography
- Native Americans, fur trappers/traders
- United States history and geography

## **Art**

- Experience elements and principles of art
- Use a variety of media in art projects
- Art appreciation by professional artists

## **Music**

- Identify beat and rhythm of words
- Read rhythms
- Hear and sing music from diverse cultures

## **Physical Education**

- Developmental activities including fitness, movement, body mechanics and fitness testing
- Rhythmic activities of folk dancing, mixers and rope jumping
- Simple games involving running, tag games, ball games, and relays
- Sports skill instruction and drills, lead-up games, individual and dual activities
- Soccer
- Track and field

## **Spanish**

- Vocabulary, phrases, and songs
- Comprehension of words
- Activities to practice lessons

## **Computer Lab**

- Keyboard practice
- Microsoft Word and PowerPoint
- Web browsing software
- Internet research skills
- Enhance classroom curriculum