



NATIONAL BLUE RIBBON SCHOOL

1997

2008

2018

**St. John Paul II Catholic School**  
**Be not afraid...**  
*to be a future saint!*

## First Grade

### Curriculum Close-Up

### English Language Arts

- Gain an understanding of basic sentence structure including nouns, verbs and adjectives
- Use a variety of strategies such as rereading, predicting, questioning and contextualizing to support reading comprehension
- Read and retell familiar stories
- Utilize a variety of decoding strategies to word-solve and improve accuracy and fluency
- Identify an increasing number of words by sight
- Use reading and writing for various purposes

### Mathematics

- Numeration 0- 100; one-digit and two-digit addition and subtraction using a variety of strategies
- Demonstrate an understanding of telling and showing time to the nearest half and quarter hour on an analog clock
- Read, write and model with manipulatives whole numbers up to 1, 000 and identify places in such numbers and the values of the digits in those places
- Use manipulatives and drawings to model halves, thirds, and fourths as equal parts of a collection or region
- Know and compare the value of pennies, nickels, dimes, quarters and dollar bills and make exchanges between coins
- Collect and organize data to create tally charts, tables, bar graphs and line plots

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## Science

- Becoming a scientist through scientific investigation; collecting and organizing data
- Explore living and nonliving organisms using our five senses
- Understand how organisms and environments are related
- Classify objects by properties and changes in materials caused by heating and cooling
- Explore energy and movement through force, motion, energy, light and heat
- Investigate natural changes that occur in our world during various periods of time

## Social Studies

- Understand the purpose for rules and laws in the home, school and community
- Begin to utilize basic geographic skills of using simple maps, globes and cardinal directions to locate places while also discovering physical features on the Earth's surface
- Explore select national, state and community holidays, symbols, customs and celebrations as commemorations of important group values
- Practice with a daily calendar as a way to learn more about sequence of events and chronology
- Identify contributions of key people in history and consider how their lives changed ours
- Understand how basic human needs are met, needs and wants and the value of work

## Religion

- Learn that we use prayer to participate in church family celebrations
- Actively participate in the Mass by using proper prayers, responses and acclamations
- Recognize Jesus and His teachings as the foundation of the church
- Discover the meaning of the trinity
- Mary and the Communion of Saints
- Discover and learn about St. John Paul II and how we can apply his teachings to our lives

## Auxiliary Classes

Library



Music



Spanish

Hola!

Technology



Physical Education



Art



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## Technology Framework

All students utilize technology in the classrooms with filtered access to the Internet. All technology apps/software is accessed through Classlink. Classlink is a single sign-on platform that allows students to access school applications and online educational resources such as Google for Education apps, online textbooks, library research resources, and more!