

Saint Brendan Catholic School

Fifth Grade Curriculum Guide

Language Arts

- ❖ Comprehensive emphasis on grammar, word usage and language mechanics
- ❖ Writing process planning – rough draft to final product
- ❖ Continuous instruction and guided practice of handwriting, spelling, punctuation, capitalization and sentence structure
- ❖ Exposure to and appreciation for literary forms and techniques
- ❖ Integration of all subject areas to broaden students perspective in their learning
- ❖ Emphasis on reading comprehension through highly interactive teacher directive reading
- ❖ A myriad of strategies to meet the needs of varying learning modalities in the classroom
- ❖ Vocabulary instruction and practice on and above grade level
- ❖ Continuous enhancement of speaking and listening skills
- ❖ Creativity enhancement through the use of multi-sensory approaches

Mathematics

- ❖ Place value with decimals
- ❖ Addition and subtraction with decimals
- ❖ Analysis of graphs
- ❖ Constructing graphs
- ❖ Operations with decimals
- ❖ Multiplication and division of fractions
- ❖ Divisions of decimals and simplification
- ❖ Rules of divisibility
- ❖ Factorization and multiples
- ❖ Using prime numbers
- ❖ Using exponents
- ❖ Using equivalent fractions
- ❖ Add/subtract fractions
- ❖ Add/subtract mixed numbers
- ❖ Multiplication and Division of fractions
- ❖ LCM and GCF
- ❖ Using and combining integers

Geometry

- ❖ Defining polygons
- ❖ Lines, angles, points and planes
- ❖ Using perimeter
- ❖ Using and measuring circumference

Social Studies

- ❖ American History beginning with Native Americans concluding with present day United States
- ❖ Geography, map and globe skills
- ❖ American civic and government
- ❖ American economics and culture

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Science

- ❖ Life processes, systems of the body and life cycles
- ❖ Solar System, stars and galaxies
- ❖ Matter and energy
- ❖ Population and ecosystems
- ❖ Earth's minerals, rocks and structures
- ❖ Light and sound

Religion

- ❖ Jesus' life and mission with the Church
- ❖ Living as prayerful people who give witness to Christ by what we say and do
- ❖ Traditions and teachings of the Church
- ❖ Christian family life

Latin/Humanities

Skills learned and practiced include:

- ❖ Basic conversation
- ❖ Nominative/Accusative cases (1st, 2nd, 3rd declensions)
- ❖ Agreement of adjectives
- ❖ Roman clothing
- ❖ Mythology
- ❖ Latin pronunciation
- ❖ Identification of subject, predicate adjective, predicate nominative, direct object, types of verbs
- ❖ Writing simple sentences – English to Latin
- ❖ Relating mythological terminology to English vocabulary
- ❖ Identifying English derivatives from Latin vocabulary

Physical Education

- ❖ Focus on cooperative learning, enhanced fitness and refinement of basic movement
- ❖ Various techniques for throwing, catching, and striking different objects
- ❖ Understanding that games consist of people, boundaries, equipment, purpose and rules

Art

The art program will encompass all five standards building on each with different grade level expectations (using age appropriate vocabulary).

- ❖ Skills and Techniques – The student understands and applies media, techniques and processes.
- ❖ Creation and Communications – The students creates and communicates using elements of art and the principles of design.
- ❖ Cultural and Historical Connections – The student understands the visual arts in relation to history and culture.
- ❖ Aesthetic and Critical Analysis – The student evaluates various works of art
- ❖ Application to Life – The student makes connections between art and the real world

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Spanish

- ❖ Daily conversation
- ❖ Introduction to Hispanic culture
- ❖ Benefits of knowing Spanish
- ❖ Pronunciation, writing and grammar
- ❖ Spanish songs
- ❖ Vocabulary and expressions per monthly theme

Computer

- ❖ Keyboarding skills – Typing Time
- ❖ Internet safety procedures
- ❖ Microsoft Word
- ❖ Microsoft Excel
- ❖ Cross-curricular games including math, language arts, social studies and science. Examples of software include Carmen San Diego, Millionaire and Quiz Master.