



A Glimpse of What your Child Will Be Working on in
SIXTH GRADE

Religion

- Obtaining an overview of the Bible with a focus on the Old Testament
- Discovering that Christ is the fulfillment of the Hebrew Scripture
- Participating in the Liturgy of the Word at Mass
- Creating prayer and talking to God through traditional prayer, extemporaneous prayer, and song
- Exploring human dignity and morality
- Deepening understanding of the Sacraments

Language Arts

- Gaining knowledge from materials that make extensive use of diagrams and data to convey information and illustrate concepts
- Evaluating the argument and specific claims in written materials or a speech, and distinguishing claims that are supported by reasons and evidence from claims that are not
- Using Six Traits Writing to: write arguments that provide clear reasons and relevant evidence, using credible sources; write reports that examine a topic, have a clear focus, and include relevant facts, details, and quotations; conduct research and write a research report drawing on several sources
- Presenting claims and findings to others orally, sequencing ideas logically and accentuating main ideas or themes
- Applying rules of grammar and mechanics in all writing
- Using knowledge of parts of speech and their functions to diagram simple, compound, and complex sentences

Math

- Dividing fractions and solving related word problems
- Understanding ratios and rates, and solving problems involving proportional relationships
- Using positive and negative numbers together to describe quantities; understanding the ordering and absolute values of positive and negative numbers
- Understanding the process of solving simple equations
- Working with variables and expressions by generalizing the way numbers work (i.e. properties of addition and multiplication)
- Reasoning about relationships between shapes to determine area, surface area, and volume
- Writing equations to solve word problems and describe relationships between quantities

Science

- Using the Scientific Method to solve problems
- Developing an awareness of STEM(Science, Technology, Engineering & Math) careers
- Exploring the universe: solar system, other galaxies, space exploration, tools for exploration and research...
- Exploring our Earth: geology, natural catastrophes
- Exploring life: cells, microscopes, genes, genetics, DNA, chromosomes, mitosis

Social Studies

- Examining the ancient world, including Mesopotamia, Greece, Rome and China
- Analyzing The French Revolution, WWI, WWII
- Exploring the continent of Africa including culture and geographical features
- Understanding the world around us with a variety of current event activities

Specials

- Art, Gym, Music, Computer, Library, Spanish