



3rd Grade Curriculum

Bible

Course Objectives: The students will study the life of Christ and will learn to apply principles from the messages, parables, miracles, and life events of Jesus. They will see the building of God's church in Acts and the spreading of the Gospel through the missionary journeys of Paul.

Textbook: BJU Press - Bible Truths 3: Following Christ 4th Edition

Math

Course Objectives: We want our students to understand that God loves numbers and uses patterns of numbers in his design and plan. We want our students realize that God is concerned that we are to be accurate and orderly in our use of numbers. We want our students to understand that the consistency of mathematical truths demonstrates the orderliness and precision of God. Third grade students learn fractions, multiplication, division, place value, and measurement.

Textbook: 3rd Ed. - Bob Jones

Language Arts

Course Objectives: The students will clearly and correctly express themselves verbally and in all forms of writing including letter writing, short stories, and reports. They will understand and correctly use punctuation, and identify parts of speech. Students will apply their understanding of Phonics and other strategies to decode and spell unfamiliar words while reading and writing. Students will understand the elements of different types of genre and utilize comprehension strategies after reading the weekly selections.

Textbooks: Reading: BJU Press - Reading Textbooks A and B: Not So Very Long Ago

Reading: BJU Press - Reading 3A & 3B Worktext 2nd Edition

Reading: BJU Press - Novel/These Are My People (Biography of Gladys Aylward) by Mildred T. Howard

English: BJU Press - English 3 Writing and Grammar 2nd Edition

Science

Course Objectives: The student's interest in science will be stimulated through their curiosity as they develop skills for scientific inquiry. The students will learn about the complexities and intricacies of God's handiwork as they study about the human body, plant cells and life cycles, animal kingdom, magnetism, landforms and the sciences of Physical, Earth, and Space.

Textbook: Level 3 - Purposeful Design

Social Studies

Course Objectives: The students will survey American History from a Christian perspective through the biographies of great Americans with emphasis on patriotism, character development, and the variety of contributions made by Americans to this country. The students will locate various cities and countries around the world. The students will compare and contrast geographical locations and topography along with their government, culture, language, occupations, recreation, transportation, and holidays.

Textbook: Heritage Studies 3, 3rd Ed. - Bob Jones

Special Activities/Field Trips

- Annual Spelling Bee Competition Participation
- Science Museum (usually the South Florida Science Center)

Enrichment Classes

Physical Education

Course Objectives: Students will be introduced to beginning team sports and learn through lead-up games the movement patterns necessary to be successful in each activity. Integrated within the course are age appropriate physical fitness activities with an emphasis on personal fitness development.

Music

Course Objectives: The students will further develop their understanding of God through music by listening to and singing Christian music as well as a varied repertoire of music. They will continue to develop their awareness of the head voice. Students will continue to be introduced to the basics of reading and understanding written notation while applying this knowledge through the introduction of the recorder.

Art

Course Objectives: The Visual Arts offer the student an immediate connection with God's creative power and His gift of life in this beautiful world with all its wonders and diversity. In this class the student will gain experience in graphic arts, animation, drawing, painting, 3-D, perspective, relief sculpture, etc.; and also knowledge in specified historical and cultural content. By encouraging each student's God given creativity and ability, a confidence and love for art will be nurtured.

Spanish

Course Objectives: The students will be introduced to the Spanish language. The students will develop competency in vocabulary, grammar and pronunciation. The students will be introduced to the Latin culture using various activities and discussions about food, the home and daily life. The curriculum will be reinforced by having the children play games, sing songs, do simple math problems and learn Bible verses in Spanish.