Second Grade Curriculum

Subject	Curriculum
Reading	 Use background knowledge for better understanding Identify literary elements (Characters, setting, conflict, plot, solution, conclusion) Make connections (text to text; text to self; text to world) Choose the main idea and identify the details that support it Use context along with sound-letter relationships and word structure to decode
Writing	 Describe an event — or a series of events — using details to describe the characters' actions, thoughts, and feelings Use sentence order, verb tense, and temporal words (e.g. after, following, later) to clearly put the events in order Organize writing in paragraph format Develop an opinion writing which includes supportive details
Listening	 listen to a piece of literature to recall story element details actively listen when someone is speaking wait until someone is finished speaking to respond listen and respond to peer presentations
Speaking	 present ideas logically and sequentially retell a story in sequential order speak in complete sentences
Math	 demonstrate mastery of addition and subtraction facts to eighteen identify time to five minute intervals add and subtract two digit numbers with or without regrouping demonstrate and explain problem solving
Science	 Life Science - Investigating plants and animal life cycles, animal habitats and characteristics Earth Science - Earth's land, water and resources and how it changes, weather and climate, space Physical Science - Properties and changes in matter, motion, force and simple machines
Social Studies	 read about and discuss current events using Time for Kids magazine label a compass rose with cardinal and intermediate directions interpret information on a map using the key or legend determine the position of a physical characteristic on a map using appropriate directional vocabulary
Spanish	 greetings/farewells family members culture/holidays/music/dance

	 days of the week months of the year seasons/weather earth Day expressions and vocabulary parts of the body objects in classroom-classroom expressions colors and shapes alphabet Spanish speaking countries/geography Opposites Holiday vocabulary and songs
Art	 European Artists properties of paper drawing from memory and imagination concept of symmetry and asymmetry
Music	 sing basic melodies on scale tones and perform them on the Orff instruments read/write rhythmic notation demonstrate understanding of major/minor music dramatize major works of music through costume and drama perform in winter concert
Physical Education	 throw a ball to a partner at various distances judging for arc and strength of the throw use aiming skills by throwing and tossing at a target demonstrate proper ready position for catching a ball tossed or thrown organize a group into teams incorporate fair play into all aspects of their lives use fundamental sports skills to participate in a variety of games