

North Shore Christian School

Language Arts:

Phonics:

Fundations, Wilson

The research-based approach of Fundations® and its extensive program materials allow K-3 teachers to confidently present a carefully structured reading and spelling curriculum using engaging, multisensory techniques.

Fundations presents all skills in a systematic and sequential manner in four Levels: Level K, Level 1, Level 2, and Level 3. Each Level provides a year-long curriculum. The Pre-K Activity Set offers age-appropriate instruction in letter-sound associations and letter formation.

Vocabulary:

Wordly Wise

Wordly Wise 3000® provides direct academic vocabulary instruction that develops the critical link between vocabulary and reading comprehension. Direct instruction of important, useful, or difficult words for each grade level helps students successfully comprehend content-area texts and improve test results.

Penmanship:

Zaner-Bloser

Students' minds are full of amazing ideas and stories. But if their handwriting is messy or even illegible, they can't communicate effectively. *Zaner-Bloser Handwriting* is an engaging and colorful PreK-6 program that integrates with any language arts curriculum and uses academic language and modeling to teach handwriting.

Grades PreK-2 focus on manuscript handwriting. Cursive instruction begins midway through grade 2 or in grade 3, depending on preference.

Teacher Guided/Driven Literature:

We strive to enrich our students' learning through read-aloud times as well as making good reading choices accessible. We partner with our local public libraries and our students are able to enjoy a vast selection of literature through both our on-campus lending library and Beverly Public Library's *Book Mobile*.



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National Geographic Magazine:

These publications help to foster awareness in our students of the world around them through a relevant and engaging presentation of information in a magazine form. The content supports the thematic units taught in Kindergarten.

Writing - Writing Prompt:

Our students learn to stretch their imagination through writing prompts. Students are encouraged to articulate their thoughts and ideas in the form of writing.

Poems:

Young learners benefit from predictability when reading, and poems are an excellent way to reinforce and encourage reading. The natural rhythm and rhyme of poems lend itself to the disposition of Kindergarteners!

Math:

*See Math Packet

Science & Social Studies:

Supporting the Massachusetts Frameworks, our Science and Social Studies curriculum is teacher designed, with student interest in mind! The content is taught thematically.

Bible:

Christian Schools International

For more than 80 years Christian Schools International's Bible curriculum has been a respected resource for Christian schools throughout the U.S., Canada, and the world. The Bible curriculum *Walking With God and His People* carries on that tradition.

Solid in theology and Bible instruction, *Walking With God and His People* was developed to ensure a strong and lasting connection with students. The goal is to equip students with the knowledge they need to understand and believe God's Word, and to reflect that relationship and faith by living lives of gratitude and obedience.

Additional Resources: ABeka Bible Picture Cards, Children's Bible, Scripture Memory (NIV)