

Mrs. Truitt's Class Information 2026-2027

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General Daily Class Schedule

8:00 Students arrive and unpack. Get ready for the day. Morning work is completed.

8:15 Opening prayer and Pledge

8:20 – 11:20 Academic Subjects (There may be a morning snack time)

11:20 – 12:05 Lunch and Recess

12:05 – 3:10 Academic Subjects (There may be an afternoon snack time)

3:10 Pack up and closing prayer. 3:15 Dismissal

Bathroom breaks are given as needed.

“Brain Breaks” are given as needed.

Each day the students will fill in a homework planner. Many days the homework will be the same but still needs to be filled out. I initial each planner and add anything that the student may have forgotten to write. 15 minutes of daily reading is essential. Most of the time free choice of reading content is okay. Sometimes there is specific reading/studying assigned and written in the planner. Please add a note whenever you need to. The planner is a great communication tool. Of course, emailing is a great way to communicate, too. I will get back to you as soon as I can.

Overview of the Academic Year:

Religion – Spirit of Truth textbook: Jesus Teaches Us How to Love. Topics include: God is all good, Conscience: God's voice in our hearts, The reality of sin and the necessity of Virtue, The Ten Commandments and freedom, Living the life of Christ, The Beatitudes, Responding to God's covenant of love.

Virtues – Lessons on many saints of the Church, the understanding of temperance, fortitude, justice, prudence, faith, hope and charity.

All School Masses, Adoration, Sacrament of Reconciliation, Advent, Lent, Stations of the Cross, and Easter are celebrated.

Spelling – There is an emphasis on spelling patterns which will help students learn to spell more words than those assigned each week. Patterns to be covered will be long and short vowel sounds, "magic" e words, vowel teams, word families, consonant blends, syllables, diagraphs, suffixes, prefixes, -r controlled vowels.

Grammar – Review of nouns, verbs, adjectives, adverbs, pronouns, plurals, common, proper, and abstract nouns, possessives, verb tenses, helping and linking verbs, conjunctions, subject and verb agreement, types of sentences, capitalizing titles, use of quotation marks, use of commas, prefixes, suffixes, multiple meaning words and dictionary skills.

Reading – Reinforcing of reading skills, such as, main idea, character traits, making inferences, summarizing, theme, context clues, setting, point of view, and text details. Some novels covered: The One and Only Ivan, The Mouse and the Motorcycle, The I Survived Series, Bunnicula, The I Survived Series, A-Z Mysteries, Snow Treasure, and Because of Winn-Dixie.

Science – Some units covered: The scientific method, STEM, jobs of scientists, Human body, vision and the brain, Animal and plant adaptations, Earth's features and procedures, Sound waves and communication, Energy and energy transfer, Electricity, light and heat. Many units are from Mystery Science the online curriculum.

Social Studies – Units covered: Map skills, Continents and Oceans, Landforms and bodies of water. These are followed by early history of the Americas, Explorers, Native Americans, and the settling of the “New World”.

Writing – Students will learn and practice using skills to improve their creative writing. Some pieces they will complete: Narrative, opinion, and fiction. Mystery Writing, the on-line curriculum, and other resources are used throughout the year.

4th Grade Math – The outline for the year: Whole number place value, Addition and subtraction within 10,000, Multiplication of 1 and 2 digit numbers, Division by 1 digit numbers, Perimeter and area, Factors, multiples, and number patterns, Fractions, comparing, adding and subtracting, relating fractions to decimals, Geometric figures, Angles, Customary and Metric Measures, Temperature and Time, Graphing, Represent and Interpret data.

5th Grade Math – The outline for the year: Whole number place value, Multiplication and division of whole numbers, Place value and decimals, Add and subtract decimals, Multiply and divide decimals, Add and subtract fractions with unlike denominators, with mixed numbers, Multiply and divide fractions, Properties of Numbers and writing expressions, Perimeter and area, Two- and Three- dimensional figures, Volume, Units of measure, Graphing, Collect, represent, and interpret data.

*Many subjects are studied together as a class. The assignments and assessments are adjusted by grade levels throughout the year. The students keep notebooks in spelling, grammar, and reading. Students are encouraged to use these as resources to help with assignments and assessments.

*In science and social studies booklets and/or binders help students complete assignments and keep track of what they are learning.

*Math and religion both have textbooks that students complete with lessons. Virtue lessons are done weekly with assigned worksheets to help deepen their understanding.

Daily Classes: Religion and/or Virtues, Prayer Service, Reading, Spelling, Grammar, and Math, Lunch and Recess.

Science and Social Studies are done weekly, but not always daily.

Art – Mondays, **Music** – Wednesdays, and **P.E.** on Thursdays. (Students can wear gym clothes all day – or bring a change of clothes).

Birthday treats are welcome. We will have a Halloween celebration, Christmas celebration, Valentine's Day Party, and perhaps an Easter Celebration after spring break. Students are welcome to bring in a treat to share.

If you ever have any questions or concerns, please contact me. Write a short note in the planner or email me. truitta@stpat.school Sincerely, Arlene Truitt