

Meet your teacher...



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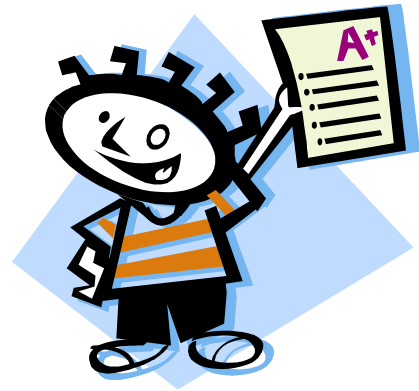
Mrs. Solheim

Education:
B.S. in Elementary Education - Western Oregon State College

How my faith influences teaching:

I believe that I have an obligation to share my faith, values, and morals with my students. Not only does my faith influence my teaching but working with children enhances my faith. There is no greater way to see God's creation than through the eyes of children. TO READ MORE ABOUT MRS. SOLHEIM VISIT OUR WEBSITE WWW.VCSKNIGHTS.ORG

 Visitation Catholic School



FIRST GRADE CURRICULUM

MISSION STATEMENT

Visitation is a Catholic Parish School that prepares students to be responsible citizens and life-long learners committed to proclaiming the Good News of Jesus Christ.

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Your First grade teacher is: Mrs. Solheim

Key Areas of Study

RELIGION

- * Reflect on the Catholic Church Community
- * Learn that God is our loving Father and Creator of all things
- * Study about Jesus, God's Son
- * Discover the role the Holy Spirit can have in our lives
- * Realize that the Church is a community of people from all over the world and that we are called to serve others in need
- * Prepare and actively participate in liturgies
- * Celebrate and learn about Church feasts and seasons
- * Memorize basic prayers



READING

- * Expand phonemic awareness
- * Apply phonics skills to decode unknown words
- * Utilize picture and context clues to aid in comprehension
- * Identify 185 high-frequency words
- * Self correct errors in oral reading
- * Make predictions about stories
- * Distinguish between fantasy and reality
- * Demonstrate comprehension of text(s)
- * State the main idea of a selection
- * Recall pertinent story details
- * Increase vocabulary
- * Determine cause and effect relationships
- * Select materials to read independently
- * Respond to stories by relating characters and events to own life
- * Begin reading with an appropriate degree of fluency

WRITING

- * Form manuscript letters correctly and write legibly
- * Spell common, phonetically regular words as well as frequently used, irregular words
- * Use correct capitalization and punctuation
- * Write in complete sentences
- * Create a story with a beginning, middle, and end

LISTENING/SPEAKING/VIEWING

- * Demonstrate active listening
- * Express ideas clearly
- * Process information gained from a variety of sources and ask questions as needed

MATHEMATICS

- * Read, write, and order whole numbers to 100
- * Apply ordinal numbers 1st through 10th in numeric or word form
- * Count by ones, fives and tens
- * Demonstrate an understanding of place value to the tens place
- * Apply with fluency sums to 9 and related subtraction facts
- * Identify, count, and compare coins for amounts to 25 cents
- * Generate, read, and interpret pictographs and bar graphs
- * Extend and generate patterns
- * Compare and order objects according to measurable attributes
- * Tell time to the nearest hour
- * Recognize and identify attributes of 2-dimensional geometric shapes
- * Select an appropriate strategy for solving a problem, perform the necessary computation, and solve the problem



SCIENCE/HEALTH

- * Describe the attributes and needs of living things

- * Learn about the differences between plants and animals
- * Classify matter as solid, liquid, or gas
- * Discover the components of weather--air, sun, and water
- * Learn about environmental concerns—rethinking, reusing, reducing, recycling, and rebuilding
- * Learn about personal safety through the “Talking About Touching” program
- * Study good dental hygiene
- * Learn about good nutrition



SOCIAL STUDIES

- * Examine civic responsibilities in the context of the school community
- * Explore neighborhoods, characteristics of places, and basic needs
- * Generate and read basic maps utilizing map keys
- * Celebrate and learn about holidays and important historical figures

ART

- * Work with a variety of media, tools, and processes
- * Explore the art elements—line, shape, color, value, texture, form, and space
- * Experience seasonal craft opportunities
- * Integrate artistic expressions into many other subject areas

➤ Physical Education, Music, Spanish, Library, and Technology are taught by specialists trained in these areas

➤ Further curriculum enrichment includes: field trips, guest speakers, service projects, reading incentive program and other extracurricular activities