

THIRD GRADE

CULTIVATING WISDOM, VIRTUE AND GODLINESS

THE TRIVIUM

The three parts of the Trivium are:

Grammar – memorizing the basic facts of a subject

Logic – understanding the relationship of those facts to each other

Rhetoric – knowing how to effectively communicate this knowledge

CURRICULUM

The curriculum during the elementary years works to apply the Trivium of grammar, logic and rhetoric in age-appropriate ways. Our elementary curriculum concentrates on the development of memory and language skills while teaching all subjects. Students in the elementary grades study English, Latin, the Bible, history/ geography, science, mathematics, and literature.

All students also participate in classes in art, music and P.E. throughout their elementary years. We consider these areas of study as critical to the development of the whole person.



WELCOME TO THIRD GRADE!

Third grade is an exciting transition at Veritas with the introduction of Latin, letter grades and extracurricular opportunities. Students will read Charlotte’s Web with a field trip to a local barn to finish the last chapter. A favorite unit of study is birds, where students take many nature walks on campus to view our wildlife as well as beautiful art projects about their selected bird. A highlight of the year is the canoe trip, where the class spends a day on the Willamette. Third grade students can also participate in Treble Choir as an extracurricular activity.



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ELEMENTARY SCHEDULE

8:30

School begins

10:00-10:15

Recess

11:30-12:15

Lunch & Recess

2:45

School Ends

Each week, elementary students will also participate in:

P.E. Classes— 30 minutes, twice weekly

Music Classes— 30 minutes, twice weekly

Art Class— 1 hour, once a week

Elementary Assemblies take place throughout the year on Fridays at 8:30 am.

THIRD GRADE HIGHLIGHTS

READING: *Charlotte's Web, The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe, Farmer Boy*

MATH: multi-digit multiplication

SCIENCE: solar system, classification of vertebrates & invertebrates, plants and animals of US biomes, study of birds with campus nature walks

HISTORY: American history- Age of Exploration to Colonization

BIBLE: Ruth to the return from exile

FIELD TRIPS: OMSI, Jackson Bottom Wetlands, Willamette canoe trip, theater

ART: Kindergarten through 4th grade students learn basic art techniques, vocabulary, and color theory. At the 3rd through 4th grade stage, students delve a little deeper in the study of artists as they copy master works, or create their own designs as they are inspired by viewing teacher demonstrations and master works.

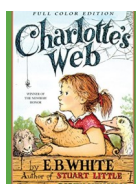
MUSIC: Students have music classes twice a week, where they learn various rhythmic elements, Sol-fa, major and minor scales, chords and more. All students perform with their class at our Christmas and Spring concerts. 3rd-5th grade students can also participate in our Treble Choir.

PE: The goal of K-6th grade PE is to impart the importance of maintaining a healthy body for the glory of God and developing a desire for lifelong fitness. Each class emphasizes respecting differing abilities, showing kindness to others, and trying one's best rather than striving to be the best. Monthly PE units include soccer, baseball, jump rope, volleyball, basketball, dodgeball, floor hockey, juggling, and stacking cups.

EXTRACURRICULARS: Students can participate in Garden Club, After-School Art, Guitar Lessons, Chess Club and more

PARENT-TEACHER CONFERENCES: Parents have the opportunity to sit down with their student's teachers in November and February.

THIRD GRADE LITERATURE READING LIST



Charlotte's Web
E.B. White



The Lion, the Witch
and the Wardrobe
C.S. Lewis



Farmer Boy
Laura Ingalls
Wilder