



Curriculum Overview

LOWER ELEMENTARY - 1ST & 2ND GRADES

2023-2024 - Cycle 2

Japhet School's mission is to nurture and prepare each child for life by integrating character education with a strong academic program.

Character Quality	<u>READING/PHONICS & LANGUAGE ARTS</u>	<u>MATH</u>	<u>SOCIAL STUDIES</u>	<u>SCIENCE</u>
Initiative	Individual Mastery Spelling Lists	<u>First Grade</u> Individual Mastery Problem Solving Numbers: patterns, place value, comparing numbers Ordering Number bonds Addition/Subtraction: stories, fact families, with and without regrouping Adding Three Numbers Shapes/Patterns Ordinal Numbers and Position Length Weight Graphs Mental Math Strategies Calendar/Time Multiplication/Division Money	Working Together School - class guidelines, being a friend, pet care, working together, doing our part, jobs Family & Neighborhoods - nuclear, extended families, jobs at home, maps. Local Communities - compare & contrast urban, rural, and suburban communities. Local Communities - buildings and government	Scientific Process Interaction of Living Things -What do living things need -Kinds of plants -Adaptations Properties and interactions of Matter -Changes in matter -Using materials and making structures
Courage	Handwriting Following Directions			
Gratitude	Arthur Lobel, writing to text, sentence structure, journals, comprehension			
Obedience	Sentence endings, capitalization			
Punctuality	Cynthia Rylant, nouns, proper nouns, plural nouns, using glossaries			
Justice	Curious George and H.A. Rey, verbs, pronouns			
Respect for Self	Abbreviations, adjectives, poetry, prefixes, suffixes	<u>Second Grade</u> Individual Mastery Problem Solving Numbers: place value, comparing numbers, number bonds Addition/Subtraction Multiplication/Division Measurement: metric and standard Mass/Volume Mental Math Estimation Money Fractions Time Graphing: pictographs Geometry: lines, Surfaces, shapes, and patterns	Geography Community Service Citizenship / Leadership Export / Import Basic Economics Social Responsibility Spring Sharing Integration	Changes in the Earth's System -Mapping out land and Water -Oceans -Weathering and Erosion Invention Fair Spring Sharing Integration
Respect for Others	Tall Tales, similes, possessives, dictionary skills, adverbs			
Self Control	Myths and Legends, book reviews, synonyms, antonyms, using nonfiction references Aesop's Fables, lists, tables, compound words, contractions, homonyms, oral reports, quotations Mysteries, test-taking, letter-writing, reports, posters			

Integrated with the Core Subjects listed above are Life Skills, Spanish, Music, Art, Physical Education, and Library.

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