

2nd Grade

You are your child's first and most important teacher. We value what you do each day to prepare your child for school. Listed below are some of the things you can expect your child to learn in Arkansas Public School **2nd Grade**. This is only a sample and is not intended to include everything that will be taught throughout the year.

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English Language Arts

-  Read familiar text with only one or two errors per 100 words.
-  Begin to read short chapter books. 
-  Identify unknown words using letter-sounds, compound words, prefixes, suffixes, and endings.
-  Write stories with a beginning, middle, and end in the correct order.
-  Use capital letters correctly (names of people, places, days of the week, months, initials, greeting, and closing of a letter).
-  Use correct punctuation (period, question mark, exclamation mark, period in initials, commas in a date). 
-  Write with correct subject-verb agreement (he is, they are).
-  Use synonyms, antonyms, and homonyms.
-  Follow multiple-step directions.

Social Studies

-  Understand and follow school, classroom, and community rules (crosswalks, bicycle safety).
-  Recognize changes between the present and past within the community.
-  Compare current storybook heroes with heroes from legends and folktales of the past.
-  Compare the daily lives of children and families in different cultures.
-  Identify wants and needs, producers and consumers, and goods and services within the community.
-  Identify national and state symbols (flag, Liberty Bell). 
-  Identify national and state holidays and events (elections).
-  Increase map reading skills.

Mathematics

-  Identify and perform simple addition and subtraction.
-  Identify odd and even numbers.
-  Identify simple fractions (1/4, 1/3, 1/2).
-  Count to 999; identify numbers 0-999; and put numbers in the proper order.
-  Identify value of numbers in three-digit numbers (125 = 1 is a hundred value; 2 is a ten value; 5 is a one value).
-  Learn how to use a clock and a calendar to tell time and the date. 
-  Read a thermometer.
-  Explore the combinations of coins (two dimes and a nickel make 25 cents).
-  Explore the addition and subtraction of money.
-  Identify directions of lines.
-  Explore two and three dimensional shapes.
-  With help, collect, organize, and display information using graphs.

Science

-  Learn by watching and gathering information from surroundings.
-  Identify characteristics of mammals, reptiles, birds, fish, amphibians, insects, and spiders.
-  Learn the different features of animals and how these help them survive in different environments.
-  Explore the water cycle.
-  Explore magnets and their use. 
-  Learn about the sun and how it affects the earth's food, life, and water systems.
-  Explore the relationship between vibration and sound.
-  Explore the properties of light.

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