



**Oak Meadow**

YOUR TRUSTED PARTNER IN JOYFUL LEARNING

# Second Grade Overview

## First Semester

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Language Arts

- Independent reading
- Writing and reading own writing
- Consonant blends and word families
- Poetry
- Fables and other classic stories
- Summarizing

- Animal stories and fables
- Letter sounds/preparation for spelling rules
- Independent reading
- Summarizing
- Vowel combinations
- Vowel/consonant combinations
- Increased writing output

Social Studies

- HISTORY*
- Folklore of Ancient China
  - Ancient Mali and Sundiata
  - Ancient Celts
  - Family customs and traditions

- GEOGRAPHY*
- Parts of a map
  - African geography
  - Continents

- ECONOMICS*
- Bartering
  - Community resources
  - Using money and making choices

- CIVICS*
- Value of kindness
  - Honesty
  - Aesop's Fables and tall tales
  - Inspiring Individuals: Rosa Parks and Susan B. Anthony

Science

- The five senses
- Animals close up
- Natural rhythms
- Identifying trees
- Nature stories
- Animal characteristics
- Life of bees
- Animal homes and habitats

- Vertebrates and invertebrates
- Animal tracks
- Food chain
- Interdependence
- Communication
- Scientific research
- Life of a frog

Math

- Four processes
- Vertical format
- Missing numbers
- Writing numbers in expanded forms
- Carrying in addition
- Place value

- Times table up to 10
- Borrowing in subtraction
- Greater than / less than
- Number bonds to 20
- Multistep problems
- Multistep mental math

Art

Students explore color through watercolor painting and crayon drawing as they illustrate the many stories and poems presented in language arts.

Music

Students continue to develop their recorder playing skills by learning several new notes and mastering simple songs.

Crafts

Students engage in various hands-on activities that help develop fine-motor coordination and focus. Emphasis is placed on meeting the child's developmental needs and interests. Highlights include crocheting a scarf, working with clay, and completing crafts from *Oak Meadow's Crafts for Early Grades*.

Health

The book *Healthy Living from the Start* provides the basis for a yearlong health course. Families explore topics relevant to their child's growth and development including nutrition, the growing body, hygiene, community, emotions, and safety.