Third Grade Overview

### Language Arts
- Sentence composition
- Paragraph composition
- Memorization and recitation
- Suffixes
- Parts of speech
- Punctuation and capitalization

### Social Studies
- **HISTORY**
  - Ancient cultures
  - Ancient writing systems
  - Native American creation stories
  - American Frontier

- **GEOGRAPHY**
  - Latitude and longitude
  - Mapping skills
  - Continents and oceans
  - Ancestry

### Science
- Movements of Earth and moon
- Gravity
- Decomposition
- Photosynthesis
- The water cycle
- Weather patterns and phenomena
- Seasonal changes
- Global climate zones

### Math
- Commutative and associative properties
- Borrowing and carrying
- Ordinal numbers
- Telling time
- Weights and measures
- Money math
- Zeros in multiplication

### 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. Highlights include crocheting a scarf, working with clay, and completing crafts from Oak Meadow’s *Crafts for the 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.