



2<sup>nd</sup> Grade

## RAIDER PRIDE IS HARD TO HIDE

Our Lady of Good Counsel Catholic School

### CURRICULUM

#### \*Religion

Understanding the Trinity

The Last Supper

Retell Jesus' parables and stories of His  
Miracles

Sacramental preparation for  
Reconciliation and Eucharist

#### Prayers

#### Developing Reverence

Building a Relationship with God

Academic and Social Curriculums

Developmentally Appropriate Integration through  
Active Learning

Cross Grade and Curricular Leveled Activities

Formative Assessments

Parent Portal

Extended Care Options

#### Language Arts / Reading

Students experience literature in the form of  
nonfiction, fiction, poetry, folktales and plays. Reading  
comprehension and fluency develops and improves as  
students are presented with the following skills:

- Using word identification strategies
- Linking spoken and written language
- Using structural analysis
- Using context clues
- Comprehending the main idea
- Sequencing events
- Analyzing details

Second grade students use writing to convey meaning.  
Students will:

- Write effectively using words and pictures to  
convey thoughts
- Write multiple sequential sentences on a given  
topic
- Apply spelling and phonetic patterns
- Apply grammar and mechanics of writing

### Social Interactions

Classroom responsibilities – job chart

Conceptual review of previous day

Verbal sharing through retelling of stories

Language and Memory Development

Team time for problem solving and sharing

Respect

DEAR program (Drop everything and Read)

Arts and Crafts

Brain Gym

Snack Time

Puzzles and Tabletop Games

Self-Directed Activities

Learning Centers

Listening Center

Free Art Expression

Technology Integration

#### MOTOR SKILL DEVELOPMENT

Our Physical Education program enhances both  
large and small muscle development, balance,  
hand-eye and foot-eye coordination.

The fundamental development of skills for both  
team and individual sports is the emphasis for 2<sup>nd</sup>  
grade students.

#### MUSIC

Our music program emphasizes reading basic  
music, vocal rendition and appreciation of various  
genres and artists.

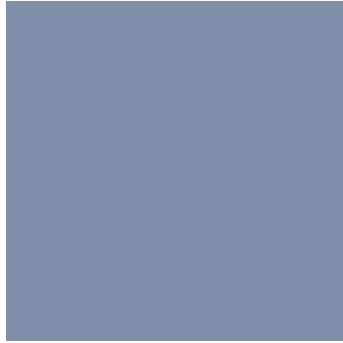
Where Children Grow In Wholeness and Holiness



### \*Math

Instruction includes hands-on activities to develop concepts. The students are introduced to the following areas of study:

- Addition and subtraction with regrouping
- Multiplication and division
- Measurement and Data interpretation
- Word problem analysis and problem solving
- Geometry
- Fractions
- Spatial sense and Awareness
- Probability and Statistics
- Computer activities for introduction, review, practice and Individualized learning opportunities



“Knowledge is of no value unless you put it into practice.” Benjamin Franklin

### Social Studies

Students will focus on:

- \*Applying the skills of historical analysis and interpretation
- \*Understand and explain the development of significant leaders, events, and factors in Illinois history from the Native Americans through modern times
- \*Discuss significant leaders, events and factors in U.S. history from the period of exploration through 1945. (1946- present; second semester)
- \*Understands and can explain the basic principles of a democratic government
- \*Relationships between geographic factors and society
- \*Being able to understand and explain the premises of economic activity and social justice
- \*Understanding that scarcity requires choices by consumers and producers

### Science

Hands on and interactive science will help students develop the process of scientific inquiry including the areas of:

- \*Living things and how they function, adapt, change and interact with each other and the environment
- \*Know and classify animals that are mammals, birds, fish, reptiles, amphibians, insects and spiders.
- \*Discuss extinction and variations on current age images.
- \*Processes of the earth and its resources
- \*Composition of the universe and Earth’s place in it
- \*Scientific process and inquiry
- \*Safety

Additional academic and social opportunities:

- \*Music
- \*Physical education
- \*Art
- \*Technology
- \*Piano lessons
- \*School Choir
- \*Intramurals
- \*Special Occasion projects
- \*Enrichment Days
- \*Vacation Bible School
- \*Summer activities
- \*Service projects
- \*All School Spelling Bee
- \*Catholic Schools Week activities
- \*Drama
- \*Family Mass
- \*Home and School Social activities