

## **Enrichment**

**Broad Goal:** To provide valuable systems for organizing thinking and feeling processes and factors that are essential for learning.

- To coordinate with and support the regular curriculum classroom units, the NH Frameworks, and to coordinate with the other specialists units at each grade level.
- To engage students in creative thinking skills and creative problem solving skills via a variety of hands-on, age-appropriate activities which include AIMS science and problem solving lessons, deductive reasoning puzzles, K'Nex building toys and *Opening Eyes to Math* activities.

## **Music**

**Broad Goal:** To have students further enrich their musical knowledge.

- Develop stronger vocal skills
- Play a variety of percussion instruments
- Learn basic music theory, such as accents, dynamics, and staccato
- Broaden their rhythm knowledge

## **Library**

**Broad Goal:** Students will be introduced to the world of books to promote and encourage their interest in reading. They will also develop beginning library skills to prepare them for using the library and its resources in the upper grades.

- Students will listen to stories to become familiar with different authors and titles.

- Students will review basic library terms
- Students will continue practicing alphabetizing skills, including working with guide words.
- Students will learn beginning note-taking skills.

## **Physical Education**

**Broad Goal:** To provide the students with the knowledge and skills necessary to maintain an active, healthy lifestyle.

- Basic locomotion and non-locomotion
- Body awareness
- Space concepts
- Qualities of movements (balance, form, time, flow, and rhythm)
- Cooperation and good sportsmanship
- Become aware of and strive to achieve health related fitness

## **Guidance**

The second grade Guidance Program focuses on getting along with others. The lessons include how to deal with teasing, bossiness, and selfishness.

### **I-Care Rules**

1. We listen to each other
2. Hands are for helping, not hurting
3. We use I-Care Language
4. We care about each other's feelings
5. We are responsible for what we say and do

# **Pelham School District**



## **Pelham Elementary School**

## **2<sup>nd</sup> Grade Curriculum**

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## **Reading/Language Arts**

**Broad goal:** Second grade students will acquire the interactive skills and processes of reading, writing, speaking, listening, and viewing through a balanced literacy program which includes the study of literature and the application of language arts.

The Reading/Language Arts Curriculum enables students to:

- Use phonetic skills to decode and spell words
- Develop reading vocabulary
- Recognize and understand story elements such as setting, characters and sequence of events
- Read for literal comprehension, such as recalling details
- Read for inferential comprehension, such as compare and contrast, predicting and drawing conclusions from a variety of genres
- Write in complete sentences with correct capitalization, punctuation and correct grammar
- Construct paragraphs, narratives and friendly letters
- Expand and express ideas clearly in writing and speech

## **Mathematics**

**Broad goal:** Second grade students will exhibit an understanding of our mathematical system and apply that knowledge in computation, communication and problem solving.

The Math Curriculum enables students to:

- Demonstrate an understanding of place value

- Add and subtract up to two-digit numbers with regrouping
- Recognize and extend patterns
- Understand geometric concepts
- Express quantities of measurement including time, temperature, distance and weight
- Use a variety of strategies to solve and explain word problems
- Interpret data from a variety of charts and graphs
- Count coins up to one dollar
- Demonstrate knowledge of basic fractions

## **Social Studies**

**Broad goal:** Second grade students will experience social studies concepts in the areas of Civics, Community, Geography and History taught in an integrated manner.

The Social Studies Curriculum enables students to:

- Connect the concept of school rules to the rules in the community
- Recognize the need to work together to build a community
- Gain an understanding of world geographic locations through the use of maps and globes
- Develop an appreciation for a variety of cultures throughout the world
- Understand that life was different in the past
- Gain an understanding of history through the study of famous people and events

## **Science**

**Broad Goal:** Second grade students will be able to investigate and understand

their world by using simple science tools and equipment to gather data. They will learn through questioning, observing and experimenting.

The Science Curriculum enables students to:

- Organize information, make comparisons and draw conclusions
- Show an understanding of life cycles and habitats of animals, such as amphibians, insects and nocturnal animals
- Explore basic concepts of weather
- Develop an understanding of the different environments and the value of recycling
- Experiment and gain knowledge of the properties of force and motion

## **Unified Arts**

*The Unified Arts program will provide a variety of educational experiences that will help the child excel in their studies as well as discover new and exciting abilities and strengths within themselves.*

## **Art**

**Broad Goal:** The art program will provide each student with the foundation of developing appropriate knowledge of elements and principles of designs.

- Recognize and name the primary and secondary colors
- Identify and use types of lines and shapes
- Identify textures
- Identify the characteristics of symmetrical shapes