

Our Lady Star of the Sea Catholic School
1st Grade Curricular Syllabus

Our Lady Star of the Sea 1st Grade students visit the theme of “Ancient Greece.” Throughout their studies the children will learn about the ancient people that helped to shape our world. Together, we will explore the civilizations of Greece, and learn how the accomplishments of the ancient Greeks have impacted us today.

Religion

Resources: The Holy Bible
Word of Life by Augustine Institute
Virtues in Practice - Dominican Sisters of St. Cecilia
Ruah Woods Institute: Theology of the Body

Math

Resources: Dimensions Singapore Math

Nature Science

Topics: Core Topics - Fish, Birds, and Insects
Additional Topics covered in Religion & History - Seasons, Continents, Oceans, and the Solar System

Resource: Christian Liberty Nature Readers & various non-fiction mentor texts.
Core Knowledge - Sun, Moon, and Stars

History

Topics: The Ancient Greek Civilization

Resources: The Story of the World, Vol.1
The Story of Civilization, Vol. 1
Core Knowledge - Ancient Greece
Supplemental Texts: *Greek Myths for Young Children, The Adventures of Odysseus, Greek Mythology Activities, The Trojan Horse: How the Greeks Won the War, The Glory of Greece, Ancient Greece for Kids, The Parthenon, Pericles, Alexander the Great, The Legend of Pheidippides, The Hero and the Minotaur, Modern Rhymes About Ancient Times: Ancient Greece.*

Literature

Resources: **A series of mentor texts to include: fables, fairy tales, myths, poetry and classical literature.**
Literature is taught through a literature-based approach which involves teaching literacy skills through an exposure to classic literature. The stories chosen not only motivate children to become great readers, but they will also teach them about history, geography, holidays, and virtue.

Language Arts

Composition

Resources: Institute for Excellence in Writing

Grammar

Resources: Shurley Grammar - Grade 1
Easy Grammar - Grade 1
Institute for Excellence in Writing

Handwriting

Resources: D'Nealian Handwriting Manuscript by Savvas

Phonics & Spelling

Resources: Saxon Phonics

Latin

Resource: Latin Through Stories
Songs from the University of Dallas
Mass Parts in Latin

Music

Resources: St. Michael Hymnal
Music Enrichment: Kindergarten- 2nd Grade by Memoria Press
Rhythm Menagerie by Wendy Stevens
First Steps in Music

Art

Resources: Artwork from various artists
Mediums: colored pencils
water colors
decoupage

OUR LADY STAR OF THE SEA CATHOLIC SCHOOL MISSION STATEMENT

Under the patronage of our Blessed Mother, the mission of Our Lady Star of the Sea Catholic School is to support parents in their role as the primary educators of their children. Our classical training nourishes the students' natural sense of wonder and guides them to know and love what is genuinely good, true, and beautiful. Faithful to the teachings of the Catholic Church, we form our students to be virtuous disciples of Jesus Christ and joyful witnesses to the Gospel.