

Fayetteville Christian School

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3rd Grade Curriculum

Bible

ACSI: Purposeful Design

Math, Science, Social Studies, Reading/Language Arts, Spelling
BJU Press

Handwriting
Handwriting Without Tears:
Cursive Handwriting

Bible: We study the life of Jesus and the works of the apostles in the early Church. We have a weekly test over each lesson, as well as a weekly memory verse.

Spelling: Students will work with word families, including extensive practice in adding suffixes. Weekly activities include dictionary skills, guided journal entries, and Bible word studies. We have a weekly test on Thursday.

Reading: We work to develop greater comprehension, phonics, and vocabulary skills. Students are separated into 2 reading groups to better meet individual needs: an on-level group and an advanced group.

English: Students learn traditional grammar, as well as reference skills. They will also learn step-by-step use of the writing process through a variety of writing assignments.

Math: We practice and review basic math skills, with special emphasis on multiplication facts. We also introduce the fundamental principles of fractions, geometry, measurement, problem solving, and algebra readiness.

Social Studies: *Heritage Studies 3* includes a study of civics and government, and evaluates events in United States history, from the Constitutional Convention through the Civil War, all from a Christian worldview. It highlights the role of significant Christians in American history and their viewpoints on historical events. This is a half-year subject, alternating with science.

Science: Some of the topics we cover are plants, ecosystems, sound, weather, energy, cells, and the solar system. This is a half-year subject, alternating with social studies.

Accelerated Reader (AR): This is an incentive-based program which allows students to read books at their current level. They will then take a quiz on the computer to earn points for the books they read. Each quarter they will be given a points goal. Students who reach their goal will enjoy a special celebration at the end of the quarter.

Specials: Music, P.E., Library, Chromebooks

Technology: We use Chromebooks for writing activities, keyboarding lessons, journaling, math games, etc.