PRINCE of PEACE
CHRISTIAN SCHOOL

Grade 6
2026-2027

Welcome to sixth grade! This year promises to be full of learning and growth. This booklet outlines the scope of our learning for this year and the sequence in which we will be addressing each subject.
Below are the middle school teachers along with the subjects they teach:

Mrs. Erin Mansfield – 6th grade homeroom, Bible, and Science
Mr. Trevor Sollitt – 6th grade homeroom, Bible, and Math
Mrs. Cassia Sollitt – 7th grade homeroom and Language Arts
Ms. Esther Na – 7th grade homeroom Language Arts & Social Studies
Mr. Ryan Melcher – 8th grade homeroom and Social Studies
Mrs. Jenny Woodrow – 8th grade homeroom and 6th Math & Science
Ms. Lynne Sparling – Art
Mrs. Alva Valle & Mrs. Lori Robeck – P.E.
Señora Viviana Sisniegas – Spanish
Mr. Bob Sterling and Mrs. Barbar Ettner – Band

In addition to an abundance of resources, we will be using in the classroom, our standard textbooks will be:

- Science — Smithsonian Science & Technology Concepts
- Reading — Realms of Gold, Teacher Reading List
- English — Step Up to Writing and IXL
- Math — Big Ideas Math
- Social Studies — Core Knowledge
- Vocabulary — Sadlier-Oxford
- Bible — Enduring Faith

You are more than welcome to come and examine all of these resources. In addition to academic challenges, students can look forward to 3rd grade buddy activities, Outdoor Education, and field trips.

We look forward to a wonderful year and welcome any feedback from you that might help your child excel. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to call (510) 797-8186 or email in order to set an appointment, so we can give you our undivided attention when we meet.

In Christ,

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Assessments in Sixth Grade . . .
Assessments in all subjects are determined by individual and group quizzes via paper and pencil tests and quizzes, online tests and quizzes, and unit projects. Individual and group presentations, and class participation also provide a portion of the grade. Rubrics for how the students will be graded are given based on the assignment.

Homework for all classes is due on the date assigned in class unless extensions are given. Late work will be graded according to the junior high policy. Extension can be given on a case-by-case basis and within the teacher's discretion. Please talk with the teacher if such a situation should arise.

As a part of sixth grade, you can expect approximately 60-90 minutes of homework per night.

Grading Break-Down for Core Classes:

- Tests/Quizzes – 40%
- Class work & Homework – 40%
- Participation – 20%

Language Arts
Transcends all: document formatting, speech prep, apply for library card
Narrative: genre, 5 elements of narrative, point of view, literary devices, critique, narrative composition, narrative speech
Expository: writing process, compare and contrast, problem and solution speech, drawing conclusions, expository composition, expository speech
Research: keyword search, credible sources, MLA works cited page, research composition
Poetry: figurative language, analyze tone and meaning, write themed poetry, spoken word
Persuasive: effective persuasion, persuasive composition, debates

Physical *Education*
Every class will include 10-15 minutes of physical fitness and movement that provides dynamic stretching, flexibility, cardio, muscular strength, reaction time, agility, loco-motor and non-local motor movement.

Lessons will focus on including a skill-based game or movement concept related to the activity.

Units include: Physical fitness testing with strength and conditioning, movement in space games, team games, 1 mile run, soccer, volleyball,

basketball, badminton, pickleball, flag tag, football throwing/catching, playground games, indoor gym games and track & field.

Key focus throughout the year: Safety, Sportsmanship, Fitness and Fun!

Health and Wellness

Emphasis on nutrition, mental, social, and physical fitness well-being. Ensuring our children will learn compassion-in-action, self-care, goal setting and making good choices to live a happy healthy lifestyle. Social Emotional Leaning (SEL) utilizing Second Step curriculum teaches children about Mindset and Goals, Recognizing Bullying and Harassment, Thought, Emotions and Decisions, Managing Social Relationships and Social Conflict.

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Spanish

6th Grade will review and continue building up their Spanish Vocabulary. Students will learn numbers, Days of the Week, Months and Dates, Greetings, Clothing, The Family, The Body Masculine and Feminine Articles, Definite and Indefinite Articles, Tú and Usted, Telling Time, Gender of the Nouns, Possessive Adjectives and Subject Pronouns. I like...., I Really Like..., I Don't Like...., Regular Verbs -ar, -er and -ir endings, Negatives. We will use different tools to practice the Spanish Vocabulary, as well as grammar.

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Art

Through instruction and experimentation, students will build skills in various media and approaches to artmaking. They will learn to describe what an image represents, identify the purpose of an artwork, and practice the four artistic processes of visual arts (creating, presenting, responding, and connecting). Students also continue learning and practicing the elements of art and principles of design through their study of art history and studio projects using the bi monthly Scholastic Art Magazine.

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August/September

Science	▪ Earth's Dynamic Systems ▪ Earthquakes o Explain the forces and stresses in Earth's crust. o identify land features caused by plate movement.
Language Arts	▪ Novel - Hatchet ▪ General Overview ▪ Expository: basics and structures ▪ Subjects, predicates, and kinds of sentences
Math Advanced 1	▪ Numerical Expressions and Factors ▪ Fractions and Decimals
Math Advanced 2	▪ Equations ▪ Transformations ▪ Angles and triangles
Social Studies	▪ World Deserts ▪ Desert geography, ecosystems, and human survival
Bible	▪ God Creates the World and Calls a Nation ▪ Memory
Field Trips	▪ Outdoor Education ▪ Little Yosemite Hike

October

Science	▪ Earth's Dynamic Systems o Earthquakes- How earthquakes affect structures o Plate boundaries and formation of various features on Earth's surface o Rock cycle
Language Arts	▪ Document Formatting ▪ Narrative: genre, 5 elements of narrative, composition ▪ Novel – Hatchet ▪ Nouns ▪ Expository Essay & Document Formatting
Math Advanced 1	▪ Algebra Expressions and Properties ▪ Areas of Polygons
Math Advanced 2	▪ Graphing and Writing Linear Equations
Social Studies	▪ Middle East as the birthplace of major world religions ▪ Greece and Rome ▪ Beginning of democratic government in Greece ▪ Geography Maps
Bible	▪ God Leads His Nation ▪ Memory
Field Trips	▪ No field trip this month

November

Science	▪ Erosion and Deposition ▪ Understanding the processes that wear down the Earth's surface ▪ Identifying types of mass movement
Language Arts	▪ Expository: Essay Structure ▪ Verbs
Math Advanced 1	▪ Ratios and Rates ▪ Integers and the coordinate plane
Math Advanced 2	▪ Systems of Linear Equations ▪ Functions
Social Studies	▪ Greece and Rome ▪ Roman empire and Pax Romana ▪ Heritage of Greece and Rome ▪ Geography Maps
Bible	▪ God Raises Up Leaders ▪ Memory
Field Trips	▪ No field trip this month

December

Science	▪ Volcanoes ▪ Identify volcanic regions in the world ▪ Explain and be able to identify how and where volcanoes form
Language Arts	▪ Narrative: literary devices ▪ Greek Mythology ▪ Pronouns ▪ Subject – Verb agreement
Math Advanced 1	▪ Equations and Inequalities
Math Advanced 2	▪ Real Numbers and the Pythagorean Theorem ▪ Volume and similar solids
Social Studies	▪ Beginning of The Enlightenment ▪ Geography Maps
Bible	▪ Advent Service ▪ Memory
Field Trips	▪ No field trip this month

January

Science	▪ Analyze Fossil record o Simulate drilling for oil o Distribution of natural resources on Earth o Geological events and how they affect Earth surface
Language Arts	▪ Greek Myth ▪ Narrative: point of view ▪ Adjustives and Adverbs
Math Advanced 1	▪ Surface area and Volume ▪ Statistical Measures ▪ Data Displays
Math Advanced 2	▪ Data Analysis and displays ▪ Exponents and scientific notation
Social Studies	▪ The Enlightenment ▪ Science and Human Reason ▪ Begin French Revolution ▪ Geography Maps
Bible	▪ God Exiles and Restores His People ▪ Memory
Field Trips	▪ No field trip this month

February

Science	▪ Weather and Climate Systems o Atmospheric and ocean weather o Uneven heating on Earth o Water cycle
Language Arts	▪ Persuasive Writing ▪ Persuasive: effective, persuasion ▪ Prepositions and Conjunctions
Math Advanced 1	▪ Integers ▪ Rational Numbers
Math Advanced 2	▪ Inequalities ▪ Constructions and scale drawings
Social Studies	▪ French Revolution ▪ Influence of Enlightenment ideas and of the revolutions in England and America ▪ Geography Maps
Bible	▪ Jesus Comes for Us ▪ Memory
Field Trips	▪ L.E.S.T (Lutheran Elementary Schools Tournament) or ▪ L.B.A.P.O.P (Left Behind at Prince of Peace)

March

Science	▪ Weather and Climate Systems o Air pressure and weather o Cloud formation o Hurricanes and tornadoes o Predict weather
Language Arts	▪ Poetry Study ▪ Simple, compound, and complex sentences ▪ Poetry: Figurative language, analyze tone and meaning, write themed poetry
Math Advanced 1	▪ Expressions and equations
Math Advanced 2	▪ Circles and Area
Social Studies	▪ Industrialism, Capitalism, and Socialism ▪ The Industrial Revolution influences economic thought ▪ Independence for Latin America ▪ U.S. Immigration Past & Present – The American Dream
Bible	▪ Jesus Teaches and Heals ▪ Memory
Field Trips	▪ California Academy of Sciences

April

Science	▪ Weather and Climate o Impact of climate change ▪ Space System Exploration o Sun-Earth-Moon System and Solar System o Sun's position o Lunar phases
Language Arts	▪ Novel Study ▪ Research: composition ▪ Capitalization and punctuation ▪ Research Skills & Essay ▪ Research: keyword search, credible sources, MLA works cited page
Math Advanced 1	▪ Ratios and proportions
Math Advanced 2	▪ Surface Area and Volume
Social Studies	▪ U.S. Immigration: Past & Present – The American Dream ▪ American Industrial Revolution ▪ Technology and the reduction of manual labor
Bible	▪ Jesus Saves the World ▪ Memory
Field Trips	▪ No field trip this month

May

Science	▪ Space Systems Exploration o Solar and lunar eclipses o Planets of the solar system o Relationship between gravity, mass and weight o Planets and moons
Language Arts	▪ Narrative Writing ▪ Novel Study
Math Advanced 1	▪ Percents
Math Advanced 2	▪ Probability and Statistics
Social Studies	▪ The Making of America: Reform
Bible	▪ Jesus Saves the World ▪ Memory
Field Trips	▪ End of the Year Party – Mission Valley Swim Club