

# Christian Life Preparatory School

## First Grade Enrichment Syllabus

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### Course Description

The enrichment course centers around the read-aloud book during the literature part of the day. The carefully selected literature follows the seasons and holidays of the year and serves as the theme to guide lessons. The weekly read-aloud integrates math, science, history & culture, geography, and the arts. The science read-aloud books introduce the student to scientific vocabulary, nature discovery, and careful observation skills. History & culture introduce significant people and events relevant to the establishment of America as well as foundational Geography concepts. The arts consist of poetry, art and music and encourage students to connect the reality of creation with the beauty and imagination of the Creator. The fine arts selections offer initial exposure to well known pieces, artists and composers and their rich cultural heritage.

### This is a Pass/Fail course.

#### *General Parental Roles:*

Parents of this age group are co teachers and tutors. First Graders rely on parents to establish consistent routines, give instruction, and provide accountability as they complete the required assignments.

### Curriculum

*First Grade Enrichment: Classical Core Curriculum, Lowe & Lange.*  
Memoria Press, Second Edition, 2017.

### Literature

Each week there will be a topical read-aloud that models rich vocabulary and varied syntax to build language skills. Related books will be read as time allows in class; parents are encouraged to read additional books at home as well.

1. A Visitor for Bear by Bonny Becker
2. The Ink Garden of Brother Theophane by CM Millen
3. A House is a House for Me by Mary Ann Hoberman
4. Miss Twiggley's Tree by Dorothea Warren Fox
5. Lyle, Lyle, the Crocodile by Bernard Waber
6. A Picture Book of Christopher Columbus by David Adler
7. Katy No-Pocket by Emmy Payne
8. Wynken, Blynken, and Nod by Eugene Field
9. The Caboose Who Got Loose by Bill Peet
10. The Owl and the Pussycat by Edward Lear
11. The Little Island by Margaret Wise Brown
12. The Very First Thanksgiving Day by Rhonda Gowler Greene
13. Choo Choo by Virginia Lee Burton
14. The Polar Express by Chris Van Allsburg
15. How the Grinch Stole Christmas by Dr. Seuss

1. Snowflake Bentley by Jacqueline Briggs Martin
2. The Moon Shines Down by Margaret Wise Brown
3. Norman the Doorman by Don Freeman
4. Pickle-Chiffon Pie by Jolly Roger Bradfield

## Course Grading

This course is pass/fail. Mastery of the course will be determined by participation and completion of required daily assignments.

## Satellite Day Work

Students should expect to spend up to an hour each homeschool day on Enrichment homework, in accordance with the CLPS handbook.

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## Enrichment Journal

Throughout the year your student will record observations, activities and information in their enrichment journal. Use the provided Study Guides (also linked on satellite resource spreadsheet) to discuss the topics and direct your child to meaningful reflection. The journal will be used at home and at school so it is important you ensure the journal is brought to class each school day.

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## Literature & Poetry

Parent Role: Please read-aloud with your child as often as you can. Use the Poetry Study Guide to direct your discussion of the weekly poetry selection. When able, allow your child to read the poetry selection independently or with minimal support.

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## Music & Art

Parent Role: Allow your child to listen to the weekly music selection and view the art selection. As the co-teacher, determine other related songs or art and provide those for your child as well. Use the Music and Art Study Guides to direct your child towards meaningful reflections on the selections each week.

## Tentative Class Schedule (Fall 2021)

Class Dates	Topics	Literature	Art	Music	Poem
Aug 16 Week 1	Past/Present/ Future	None	None	None	None
Aug 23 Week 2	Tea, Manners	<u>A Visitor for Bear</u> , by Bonny Becker	Five O'Clock Tea, 1880, Mary Cassatt	"Keyboard Concerto No. 1 in D Minor Allegro" - Bach	"Algy" p. 105
Aug 30 Week 3	Monasteries, Nature as source of color	<u>The Ink Garden of Brother Theophane</u> by CM Millen	Titus as a Monk, Rembrandt	"Meditation" - Thais	"Firefly" p.47 (Animals Animals)
Sep 6 Week 4	Different houses, animal homes	<u>A House is a House for Me</u> by Mary Ann Hoberman	View of Paris from Montmartre, 1902, Raoul Dufy	"Intermezzo" - Pietro Mascagni	"How They Sleep" p.28
Sep 13 Week 5	Emergency services, plans, hurricanes	<u>Miss Twiggley's Tree</u> by Dorothea Warren Fox	Tree of Life, 1909, Louis Comfort Tiffany	"Etude op 10 No 12 in C Minor, Revolutionary" - Chopin	The Golden Rule p. 108
Sep 20 Week 6	Friendship, reptiles	<u>Lyle, Lyle, the Crocodile</u> by Bernard Waber	Children's Games 1560, Pieter Bruegel	"In the Hall of the Mountain King" - Edvard Grieg	"The Crocodile" p.83
Sep 27 Week 7	Columbus, Call of Abram, Float/Sink	<u>A Picture Book of Christopher Columbus</u> by David Adler	The Storm on the Sea of Galilee, 1633, Rembrandt	"Jeux d' eau" ("Water Games") - Maurice Ravel	"When You and I Grow Up" p.108

Oct 4 Week 8	Australia, Kangaroos	<u>Katy No-Pocket</u> by Emmy Payne	Exotic Landscape, 1908, Henri Rousseau	“Sheherazade op.35” - Nikolai Rimsky-Korsakov	“Travel Plans” p.32-33 (Animals, Animals)
Oct 11 Week 9	Time zones, Nocturnal animals	<u>Wynken, Blynken, and Nod</u> by Eugene Field	Starry Night Over Rhone, 1888, Vincent Van Gogh	“Lullaby op.49 No. 4” - Johannes Brahms	
Fall Break					
Oct 25 Week 10	History of railways, parts of a tree	<u>The Caboose Who Got Loose</u> by Bill Peet	Rain, Steam Speed The Great Western Railway 1844 J.M.W Turner	“Rhapsody in Blue” - George Gershwin	“Three Little Trees” p.67
Nov 1 Week 11	History of words, vibration	<u>The Owl and the Pussycat</u> by Edward Lear	The Little Owl, Albecht Durer	“Piano Concerto No. 21 in C Major, K. 467:I Allegro maestoso” - Mozart	“The Owl and the Pussycat” p.34
Nov 8 Week 12	Islands, volcanoes	<u>The Little Island</u> by Margaret Wise Brown	Pilgrimage to the Isle of Cythera 1717, Jean-Antoine Watteau	“Bolero” - Maurice Ravel	
Nov 15 Week 13	Being thankful, harvesting/preserv ing food	<u>The Very First Thanksgiving Day</u> by Rhonda Gowler Greene	The Cornfield 1826, John Constable	“Minuet in F Major” - Leopold Mozart	“Merry Autumn Days”
Thanksgiving Break					
Nov 29 Week 14	Onomatopoeia, Cardinal directions	<u>Choo Choo</u> by Virginia Lee Burton	The Lackawanna Valley 1855, George Inness	“Ride of the Valkyries” - Richard Wagner	“The Snail’s Dream”
Dec 6 Week 15	Christmas Story, polar regions of the word	<u>The Polar Express</u> by Chris Van Allsburg	Train in the Snow 1875, Claude Monet	“Hallelujah” - George Frideric Handel	“My Gift” p.52
Dec 13 Week 16	Christ’s birth, God’s love for us, Our heart	<u>How the Grinch Stole Christmas</u> by Dr. Seuss	Man Playing Santa 1916, Norman Rockwell	“Toy Symphony” - Leopold Mozart	“The Twenty Fourth of December” p.52
Christmas Break					

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Jan 10 Week 17	Almanacs, weather, microscopes	<u>Snowflake Bentley</u> by Jacqueline Briggs Martin	Winter Coast 1890 Winslow Homer	“Adagio in G Minor” - Tomaso Albinoni	“The Snowman” p.72
Jan 17 Week 18	Continents, Phases of the Moon	<u>The Moon Shines Down</u> by Margaret Wise Brown	The Creation of Adam 1511 Michelangelo	“Clair de lune” - Claude Debussy	“To See a World” p.36
Jan 24 Week 19	Museums, sculptures	<u>Norman the Doorman</u> by Don Freeman	Portrait of the Postman Joseph Roulin 1888-1889 Vincent van Gogh	“Pomp and Circumstance Marches, op. 39:1” - Sir Edward Elgar	“Little Things” p.89
Jan 31 Week 20	History of St. Valentine, Measurements in kitchen	<u>Pickle-Chiffon Pie</u> by Jolly Roger Bradfield	Girl With a Pearl Earring 1665 Johannes Vermeer	Swan Lake: Act 1.2 “Valse” Pyotr Tchaikovsky	“Hearts and Lace Paper” p.96
Feb 7 Week 21					
Feb 14 Week 22					
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Feb 27 Week 24					
Mar 7 Week 25					
	Spring Break				
Mar 21 Week 26					
Mar 28 Week 27					
Apr 4 Week 28					
Apr 11 Week 29					
Apr 18 Week 30					
Apr 25 Week 31					
May 2 Week 32					
May 9 Week 33					