

Religion

Following the guidance of the Archdiocese, we offer students the opportunity to grow their faith through prayer, service, Mass participation, celebrating sacraments and seasons of the Church, and living according to the Church's teaching through our Schoolwide Learning Expectations (SLEs) and virtues.

Spanish

Students engage in age-appropriate Spanish language concepts and culture through music, movement, and meaningful connections with their classmates twice a week.

Physical Education & Health

We focus on whole body health by following Kids Heart Challenge program. Students practice motor skills, ball handling, sports fitness, tumbling, and swimming.

We also support social-emotional growth by incorporating the Second Step program and Harmony lessons. Our counselor leads guidance lessons on a bi-weekly basis.

Second Grade Curriculum

Second grade students follow the Archdiocesan standards as well as the Common Core State Standards.

CYO Sports and Extracurricular Activities

Valley Catholic Elementary School offers CYO sports and many varied after school enrichment opportunities.



**Valley Catholic
Elementary
School**
2nd Grade Curriculum





Math

Students work to develop strong problem solving and algebraic thinking skills as they practice 2 and 3-digit addition and subtraction, have a strong foundation of place value, practice with money, telling time, measurement and data, and geometric shapes.

Science

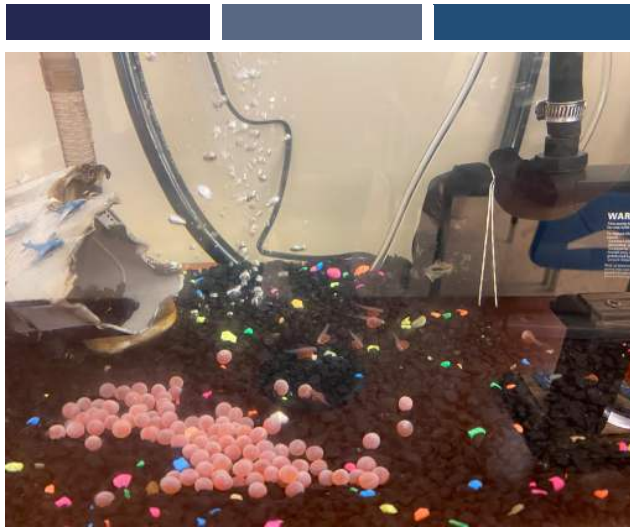
Students study the following: structure and properties of matter, interdependent relationships in ecosystems, processes that shape the earth, and engineering design.

Social Studies

Major topics include: civics and government looking at government services and leaders, geography through map skills, history of local community and analyzing the past and present, and practicing economics and financial literacy looking at roles of banks, saving and goods and services.

Language Arts

We use a number of programs to help students grow in their reading abilities looking at various genres. Students practice their phonemic awareness. They work on building comprehension strategies, apply comprehension skills, reading fluency, and accuracy. We support students as they work to become strong writers by teaching grammar and spelling rules. Second graders also practice writing narrative, informational, and opinion pieces.



Second grade raises salmon eggs each year.

2024-2025 School Year Theme: “United in Love”

Music

Students participate in age-appropriate music theory, instrument exploration, pitch, rhythm, and singing psalms twice each week.

Library

Students will visit the library each week. This valuable experience allows them to develop knowledge of library procedures, grow their reading comprehension, and practice personal responsibility as they borrow books to take home to read

Technology

Weekly classes enhance core content and help develop responsible use of tools.

