

Spanish

Students explore Spanish language concepts and culture through music, movement, and meaningful connections. Students have Spanish class twice a week for 35 minutes.

Physical Education

Students practice motor skills, ball – handling skills, sports skills, fitness, tumbling, and swimming. Third graders have P.E. twice a week.

Library and Media

In Library, students learn the locations and differences between fiction and nonfiction books, as well as how to find these on our computer catalog. Students visit the library once a week and get to check out books.

In Media, students learn technology skills with a focus on using technology responsibly and appropriately. Students visit the computer lab once a week.

Music

Students learn music theory, rhythm, and singing. Students go to Music twice a week.

Art Literacy

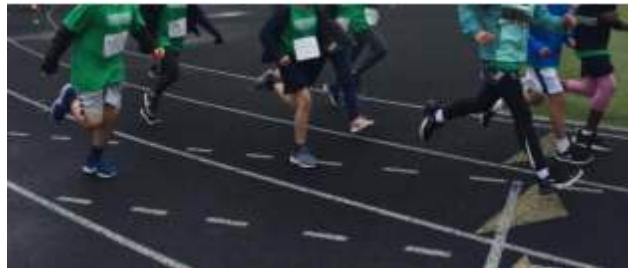
Parent-led Art Literacy classes are taught multiple times a year in third grade.

Third Grade Curriculum

Third graders 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.



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Third Grade Curriculum



Religion

Students learn about the life and teachings of Jesus, the apostles and the early Church, the sacraments, and prayer. We prepare and lead one prayer service during the year. We also join with the entire campus for Mass once a month.

Math

Students learn about place value, rounding, addition, subtraction, multiplication, division, fractions, geometry, and measurement. Students learn problem solving skills throughout all of our math units.

Reading

Students read fiction and nonfiction stories from the Reading series. Students focus on story elements, comprehension skills, vocabulary, fluency, and expression. Students also do two novel studies to apply skills learned.

Writing & Grammar

In Writing, students focus on writing strong paragraphs. Students also complete narrative, opinion, and informational writing pieces while utilizing the writing process.

In Grammar, students focus on parts of speech (nouns, verbs, adjectives, adverbs) and sentence structure.



2024 – 2025 School Year
Theme:

“United in Love”

Spelling

Students learn third grade core spelling words, spelling rules, and practice phonics/word work skills, and proofreading.

Science

Students explore the Next Generation Science Standards (NGSS) in units about plants, animals, inherited traits, weather and climate, and force and motion.

Social Studies

Students learn about map skills, oceans and continents, Oregon and Northwest geography, economics, Native American communities in our local area, and the local history of Beaverton and Portland.