All Saints' Episcopal Day School

Third Grade Program Overview



Welcome to All Saints' Episcopal Day School

At All Saints', we provide a nurturing, faith-based education where academic growth, spiritual development, and character are equally valued. Rooted in the Judeo-Christian tradition through the Anglican faith, our mission is to help each child reach their highest potential while fostering compassion, service, and a love for learning. From our youngest learners in 2K through 6th grade, we create a supportive and inclusive community where children grow in knowledge, faith, and friendship.

Curriculum Snapshot

Reading & English Language Arts (McGraw Hill- Open Court)

Focuses on building fluency and comprehension through fiction and nonfiction texts, while integrating vocabulary, grammar, spelling, and writing across narrative, informative, and opinion genres.

- Math (Sadlier-Progress in Mathematics)
 - Emphasizes multiplication and division fluency, introduces fractions and equivalency, and strengthens skills in measurement, data analysis, and geometry.
- Science (Scott Foresman)

A rich, inquiry-based science curriculum covering topics such as changes in matter, electricity and magnetism, Earth's resources and habitats—designed to spark curiosity and hands-on learning.

- Social Studies (Studies Weekly)
 - Interactive, story-based social studies instruction that brings communities, history, and civic themes to life in engaging, elementary-friendly formats.
- Handwriting (Zaner-Bloser)

Time-tested handwriting instruction, transitioning students from print to cursive, focusing on efficiency, legibility, and automaticity.

The Life of a Third Grader

Life in 3rd Grade at All Saints' is filled with growth, discovery, and special traditions. Each day begins with a **Morning Meeting** to foster community, followed by **Chapel twice a week** and a **Friday Spirit Assembly**, where we celebrate together as a school.

The school day is centered on **core subjects**, including reading, writing, math, science, and social studies. Each lesson begins with whole-group instruction and is followed by guided and independent practice, which may take the form of small-group work or individual activities.

Students enjoy a well-rounded education through special area classes each week, including **Art, Library, Music, STEM, Technology, PE, Religion, and Spanish**. They also participate in the **Accelerated Reader** (**AR**) **program**, encouraging independent reading and goal setting.

To track progress, students complete formal reading, math, and writing **assessments** three times a year, along with CogAT and Iowa standardized testing each spring. Every student uses a **Chromebook** to support digital literacy and classroom learning.

A highlight is the "**South Carolina Play**", where students research a person famous to South Carolina, and it culminates in a play performed by the 3rd-grade students. The "**Wax Museum**" is another favorite.

Special Traditions & Events

Students joyfully participate in school-wide traditions while beginning to explore grade-level events that build community, confidence, and lasting memories.

- Trip to Lynches River
- Halloween Parade
- Trip to Camden
- Holiday Program
- 100th Day of School Celebration
- Grandparents' and Special Friends Day

- Blessing of the Animals
- Valentines Day
- Easter Egg Hunt
- Trip to Florence County Museum
- Metric Olympics



Each grade level participates in a Community Service Project: Blessing Box Upkeep

Get Involved

In 3rd Grade, students begin exploring activities beyond the classroom in fun and meaningful ways. Opportunities include:

Academic Teams: Spelling BeeLeadership: Student Council

Athletics: Soccer, Cheerleading, and Intermural Basketball

Communication Pathways

We value strong partnerships with families and keep you connected to your child's learning journey throughout the year:

- Daily: Assignment Notebooks and Homework Folder
- Weekly: Classroom newsletter with updates and upcoming events
- Progress Reporting: Fall and spring conferences, quarterly interim reports, and report cards
- School-Wide: Saintly Scoop (Wednesdays) and All Saints' Look Ahead (Fridays)

Next Steps: How to Join Our All Saints' Community

- Admissions: Applicants for 4K and above must undergo an admissions assessment.
- **Schedule a Visit:** We invite you to tour our campus and experience the All Saints' community firsthand. Call our Admissions Office at **843-662-8134** to schedule a visit.
- Learn More Online: Visit us at <u>aseds.com</u> for additional details and resources.