



Music

The students will



- Participate in a music skills class with a music specialist once per week
- Learn age-appropriate music to perform at *Carols at Cornerstone*
- Learn *All Glory, Laud & Honor, Be Thou My Vision, Jesus, Thou Joy of Loving Hearts, All Creatures of Our God & King, A Mighty Fortress is Our God, Now Thank We All Our God, O Sacred Head Now Wounded, Fairest Lord Jesus, Praise to the Lord, the Almighty*

Art

The students will



- Participate in an art skills class with an art specialist once per week
- Study great works of art by Titian, Durer, Caravaggio, Holbein the Younger, and Bruegel
- Observe and reproduce great works of art through picture studies

P.E.

The students will

- Participate in a physical education class two times per week

Poetry

The students will

- Be exposed to the lives and works of William Blake and Samuel Taylor Coleridge
- Memorize and recite the following great works of poetry

Ephesians 2:1-10 (NIV)

"A Mighty Fortress is Our God" – Martin Luther

"Sonnet 18" - William Shakespeare

"Now Thank We All Our God" – Martin Rinkart

"Good Christian Men Rejoice" –

Latin Carol, 14th Century

Romans 11:33-12:8 (NIV)

"The Pulley" - George Herbert

"Sonnet 116" – William Shakespeare

"My Song is Love Unknown" - Samuel Crossman

Preamble to the Declaration of Independence

Nature

The students will

- Observe the beauty and details of God's creation through nature walks and classroom specimens
- Record their observations by drawing and writing in their personal nature sketchbooks



Sixth Grade

Cornerstone Christian Academy offers a unique approach to education, designed to encourage children to become lovers of Christ and lovers of learning. This approach is distinctively...

Covenantal

Cornerstone does not seek to replace believing parents and local churches in the process of educating and discipling their covenant children but rather to come alongside and partner with them in this essential task.

Classical

The classical philosophy of education is reflected in Cornerstone's focus upon history, classic literature, timeless masterpieces of art and music, and Latin instruction. Additionally, Cornerstone students fall within the "grammar" stage of the classical Trivium, so the curriculum emphasizes memorization of facts in each of the content areas in preparation for the later stages of learning (logic and rhetoric).

Christian

All subjects at Cornerstone are taught from a Biblical perspective so that the children may understand that God is the King of everything, from science to music to history, and that His Word is the absolute source of truth.

Charlotte Mason

The philosophies of the nineteenth century educator Charlotte Mason are evident throughout Cornerstone's curriculum in the form of narrations, recitations, copybooks, nature appreciation, and short lessons. All of these things are employed to encourage students to become lovers of knowledge who want to learn for learning's sake, not to earn a grade or simply regurgitate answers on a test.

Comprehensive

Cornerstone aspires to provide a "rich" education, the type that C.S. Lewis described as "a proper study for princes." All children thrive on a diet of worthy ideas, and these ideas are found primarily in living books and the Western cultural heritage. Students are also trained in habits of the heart – attention, respect, and responsibility – so as to bring focus to the art and craft of their own learning.

Special Events

6th grade students will have the opportunity to participate in the following field trips:

- **Sabino Canyon...** The students participate in "Creek Critters" program which studies water quality and analyzes data collected.
- **Marine Discovery at the U of A...** The students learn about the marine environment, especially the Gulf of California.
- **Federal Court House...** The class will visit a judge's courtroom and witness people becoming citizens of the United States.
- **Catalina Island...** This is a fun and educational trip to California's Catalina Island where the students explore marine life and strengthen their friendships.

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Spiritual Focus

Devotions

The students will

- Spend time several times a week discussing and considering personal application of the Bible lessons
- Commit to memory a weekly Bible verse and one extended focal passage
- Be given the opportunity for sharing of personal needs and concerns
- Spend time daily in prayer
- Spend time in singing and worship
- Learn how to present the gospel
- Learn how to develop a personal quiet time

Chapels

The students will

- Join grades 1st-6th in a weekly chapel time for worship and singing
- Be challenged by guest speakers to consider their own personal expression of the challenges found in the Bible to live out the faith



Bible Class

The students will study

- Review Kings
- Fall of Kings and the Exile
- Isaiah
- Mark (Jesus as Servant)
- Romans
- Galatians
- Psalm 17, 22, 23, 40, 41, 69, 100

Language Arts

Reading

The students will read:

The Man Who Laid the Egg, Thunderstorm in the Church, Morning Star of the Reformation, Fine Print: A Story about Johan Gutenberg, The Hawk that Dare Not Hunt by Day, The Prince and the Pauper, The World of Columbus and Sons, Explorers Who Got Lost, Don Quixote, Joan of Arc, The River of Grace, Bat 6, Tales from Shakespeare

Read Alouds

The teacher will read aloud to the class from several of the following selections:

The Black Arrow, Hangman's Curse, Tales of the Restoration, Tales of the Resistance, Nightmare Academy, The Three Musketeers, Pilgrim's Progress, And the Word Came with Power, The Last Battle



Language Skills

The students will have a daily oral lesson in editing skills, vocabulary development, and structural grammar to include:

- Review of all sentence patterns.
- Introduction to infinitives, gerunds, and participles.

Writing

The students will

- Utilize the writing process and the 6-Traits of writing to create: fiction, news stories, letters, research papers, copybook entries, persuasive essays, and poetry (*Imitations in Writing*)
- Learn to spell high-frequency words using the Rebecca Sitton – Level 7 curriculum

Library

The students will

- Be given the opportunity to borrow books from the school library several times each month.

Latin

The students will

- Practice Latin four times per week
- Continue to expand their Latin vocabulary
- Master verb conjugations in all tenses
- Perform advanced translation exercises

Mathematics

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The students will perform exercises in:

- Measurement
- Estimation
- Real-world connections
- Word problems
- Rate
- Powers and roots
- Geometric proofs
- Scientific notation
- Graphing functions
- Quantitative comparisons
- Balancing equations
- Transformation of formulas
- Literal equations
- Algebraic terms
- Irrational numbers
- Factoring algebraic expressions
- Substitution
- Graphing linear equations and inequalities
- Geometric construction
- Scale factor and indirect measure
- Similar and congruent figures
- Data collection, display, & analysis
- Probability and statistics



History

The students will study

- The Renaissance
- Gutenberg, John Wycliffe, Joan of Arc, da Vinci, Jan Hus, Brunelleschi, Donatello, Erasmus, Martin Luther & the 95 theses
- Humanism
- William Tyndale, Columbus, John Calvin, John Knox
- American History: 20th Century



Shakespeare

The students will

- Study Shakespeare's life and the historical time period in detail
- Learn to recognize the figurative language of Shakespeare
- Participate in the Shakespeare Festival and study the play being performed



Science

The students will study

- Plants in our World
- Chemical Interactions
- Astronomy
- Marine Biology