#### Vacaville Christian Elementary School

# 3rd Grade Curriculum Overview

# Bible: Building on the Rock-Summit Ministries

(Theme: Image Bearing)

- · Recognize God created us in His image
- Comprehend as image-bearers, we are crowned with glory and honor
- Comprehend sin mars our personal harmony and ability to bear God's image
- Discover through Christ we can be restored in harmony with ourselves and bear his image more completely

#### Language Arts

# Reading: Bob Jones

- Use phonetic analysis
- Develop vocabulary
- Comprehend literally and interpretively through silent reading, guided discussion, & oral reading
- Locate and present information from a given text through book reports
- Identify characteristics of various genres of literature (fiction, tall tales, biography, non-fiction, poetry)

# Language: Bob Jones

- Identify parts of speech and form complete sentences
- Use correct punctuation (periods, commas, question marks, quotation marks, exclamation points)
- Capitalize words when appropriate
- Utilize the dictionary, encyclopedia & thesaurus
- Form plurals and possessives of nouns
- Write friendly letters, persuasive essays, stories with dialogue, book reports, sound poems, research report, and compare & contrast essays.

# Spelling: Bob Jones

- Teach spelling patterns & strategies for application
- Teach basic dictionary skills & effective proofreading skills
- Write words and sentences that are dictated
- Spell words from high-frequency word lists

#### Math: Saxon Math

- Develop number sense (place value to 10,000)
- Mental math and estimation
- Adding and subtracting to 10,000
- Multiply and divide fact families to 12
- Multiply 2 and 3 digit numbers; divide with remainders
- Counting, adding, and subtracting money
- Use standard and metric forms of measurement
- Bar graphs and line plots
- Fractions: understanding, comparing, adding and subtracting, equivalent
- Time and temperature
- Identify characteristics of various geometric shapes
- Analyze data and solve word problems
- Finding square roots
- Geometry: identifying solids, faces vertices and edges

# Science: Bob Jones

- Earth- Rocks, Minerals, Soil, Weather, Space, Solar System
- Life-Cold & Warm Blooded Animals, Plants, Eco-System, Cells, Human Beings (Ear and Skin)
- Physical-Motion, Energy, Matter

#### History: Abeka

- Identify characteristics of great Americans, emphasizing patriotism, character development, and the variety of contributions made by Americans to this country.
- Analyze the significance of various explorers, pre dents, inventors, Constitutional framers, African Americans, and evangelists, to our nation's history
- Daily Maps Skills

# Penmanship: Zaner Bloser

- Demonstrate good penmanship (manuscript and cursive)
- Implement structure of letter formation: shape, slant, spacing and size of letters