

Core Knowledge Calendar
2nd Grade

Month	Social Studies	Science	Language Arts	Art	Music
September	Landforms/Map Skills	Exploring Land and Water	Review of Nouns, Pronouns, Verbs Punctuation, and Capitalization	Elements of Art-Color: Color Wheel	Elements of Music Steady beat, accents Move to music Mozart: <i>Rondo alla Turca</i>
October	Constitution	Exploring Land and Water	Writing to Inform: Paragraph Writing Adjectives	Elements of Art-Color: Primary Secondary Tertiary Colors	Vivaldi: <i>The Four Seasons</i> : "Autumn" Elements of Music Note names Keyboard instruments Bach: <i>Toccat and Fugue</i>
November	War of 1812	Magnetism and Electricity	Writing a Narrative: Paragraph Adverbs	Elements of Art-Color: Warm and Cool	The Orchestra String family Saint-Saëns: "The Swan" (cello) and "Elephants" (double bass)
December	Westward Expansion and Native Americans	Matter	Fairy Tales/Tall Tales, Hyperbole	Elements of Art-Lines	<i>Carnival of the Animals</i> Elements of Music Phrases (form) Echo rhythms Scale

January	Civil War	Matter	Writing an opinion: Paragraph	Elements of Art- Shape	Elements of Music Timbre (tone color) Fast and slow Loud and soft Improvisation
February	Asian Studies: China and India	Human Cells and Digestion	How to Writing	Elements of Art- Form	Elements of Music Improvisation Sing C major scale Songs Do-re-mi
March	Modern Japan and Ancient Greece	Human Cells and Digestion	Writing to Inform: Lab Reports	Elements of Art- Texture	Elements of Music Improvisation Melody Phrases Mendelssohn: "Spring Song"
April	Ancient Greece	Insects	Myths	Art History- The Great Wave by Hokusai	Elements of Music Improvisation (jazz) Beethoven: "Für Elise"
May	Civil Rights and American Symbols	Organisms and their Habitats	Biography Study/Research Writing	Art History- Landscapes Vincent Van Gogh Starry Night	Songs Follow the drinking gourd The Star-Spangled Banner
June	Immigration	Organisms and their Habitats	Idioms and Poetry	Art History- Abstract Art Paul Klee	Elements of Music Call and response Dance and echo rhythm Simple rounds: Canoe Song

