

Core Knowledge Calendar  
1st Grade

| Month     | Social Studies                  | Science                                               | Art                                                      | Music                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
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| September | Continents, countries, and maps | Sun, Moon, and Stars                                  | Elements of Art<br>Color-<br>Rainbow/Color<br>Wheel      | Through participation, become familiar with some basic <b>elements of music.</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Recognize a steady beat; begin to play a steady beat.</li> <li>Sing unaccompanied, accompanied, and in unison.</li> </ul> <b>Songs</b><br>America the Beautiful |
| October   | Mesopotamia                     | Sun, Moon, and Stars                                  | Elements of Art<br>Color-<br>Primary/Secondary<br>Colors | <b>Elements of Music</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Steady beat</li> <li>Sing a varied repertoire</li> </ul>                                                                                                                                                                |
| November  | Ancient Egypt                   | Sun, Moon, and Stars<br><br>Plant and Animal Survival | Elements of Art<br>Color-<br>Warm & Cool<br>Colors       | <b>Elements of Music</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Steady beat</li> <li>Sing a varied repertoire</li> </ul> <b>Songs</b><br>Make New Friends                                                                                                                               |

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| December | World Religions: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Judaism</li> <li>• Christianity</li> <li>• Islam</li> </ul> | Sun, Moon, and Stars<br><br>Plant and Animal Survival | Elements of Art-Line    | <b>Music can tell a story</b><br>Ballet:<br>Tchaikovsky's Nutcracker Suite<br><b>Listening and Understanding</b><br>Orchestra <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Become familiar with the families of instruments in the orchestra: strings, brass, woodwinds, percussion.</li> <li>• Know that the leader of the orchestra is called the conductor.</li> </ul> |
| January  |                                                                                                                       | Plant and Animal Survival                             | Elements of Art-Shape   | <b>Elements of Music</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Fast and slow.</li> <li>• Loud and soft.</li> <li>• Like and unlike phrases</li> <li>• Timbre (tone color)</li> </ul> <b>Orchestra</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Instrument families: strings</li> </ul>                                                                             |
| February |                                                                                                                       | Plant and Animal Survival<br><br>Human Body           | Elements of Art-Texture | <b>Listening and Understanding</b><br>Orchestra <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Instrument</li> </ul>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |

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| March | <p>Early Civilizations of the Americas:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Maya</li> <li>• Inca</li> <li>• Aztec</li> </ul> <p>The Culture of Mexico</p> | Human Body Systems        | Art History & Using Our Elements- Picasso & Portraits                 | <p><b>Listening and Understanding</b></p> <p>Composers</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Mozart: <i>Eine kleine Nachtmusik</i></li> </ul> <p>Orchestra</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Instrument families: woodwinds</li> </ul>                |
| April | <p>Early Explorers and Settlers</p> <p>From Colonies to Independence</p>                                                                                           | Exploring Light and Sound | Art History & Using Our Elements- Ted Harrison Landscapes             | <p><b>Listening and Understanding</b></p> <p>Orchestra</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>Peter and the Wolf</i></li> </ul> <p>Jazz</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Improvisation</li> </ul> <p>Louis Armstrong: "What a Wonderful World"</p> |
| May   | Exploring the West                                                                                                                                                 | Simple Machines           | Art History & Using Our Elements- Murals- Diego Rivera                | <p><b>Elements of Music</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Call and response</li> </ul> <p>Che che kule<br/>Down by the Bay</p>                                                                                                                           |
| June  | Review                                                                                                                                                             | Review                    | Art History & Using Our Elements- Still Life- Vincent Van Gogh Irises | <p><b>Songs</b></p> <p>Take Me Out to the Ball Game</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |