

CSK Program of Inquiry 2017-2018

Second Grade 2017-2018 Program of Inquiry

**First Trimester
Aug. 23-Sept. 29**

Theme	Who We Are
Title	Let's Talk About It
Central Idea	People develop strategies to communicate, problem solve, and connect with others.
Key Concepts	responsibility, connection, function
Related Concepts	communication, initiative, relationships
Inquiry Into	1. Good listening and speaking skills 2. Rights of individuals to express feelings 3. Strategies that are used to avoid and resolve conflicts 4. Impact of appropriate communication on conflict
Learner Profile	communicator, principled
Attitudes	cooperation, respect, tolerance
Transdisciplinary Skills	thinking, social

Oct. 2-Nov. 3

Theme	Where We Are in Place and Time
Title	All Our Bags are Packed
Central Idea	Exploring different places and global cultures helps us gain knowledge and understanding of others' perspectives.
Key Concepts	form, function, perspective
Related Concepts	geography, landscape, properties, mapping, cultures
Inquiry Into	1. Impact of geography on global cultural differences 2. Local, national, and global destinations. 3. Understanding other perspectives.
Learner Profile	open minded, inquirer
Attitudes	curiosity, respect, tolerance
Transdisciplinary Skills	thinking, research

Second Trimester, Second Grade
Nov. 6-Dec. 20

Theme	How the World Works
Title	Don't Rock the Boat!
Central Idea	Outside forces often cause changes in balance and motion.
Key Concepts	causation, form, change
Related Concepts	impact, transformation, stability
Inquiry Into	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Balance, counterweights, and stability 2. Different ways to produce motion 3. Relationship between force and motion 4. Ways that people use the principles of balance and motion in their daily lives
Learner Profile	risk-taker, thinker
Attitudes	cooperation, curiosity
Transdisciplinary Skills	thinking, communication

Jan. 8-Feb. 23

Theme	How We Express Ourselves
Title	It's Raining Books!
Central Idea	Authors and illustrators use a variety of ways to express themselves.
Key concepts	function, perspective, form
Related concepts	expression, creativity, textures
Inquiry Into	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Differences between fiction and non-fiction books 2. Different genres and purposes of books 3. A variety of mediums used in visuals to express ideas or information 4. A comparison of different authors and illustrators
Learner Profile	knowledgeable, communicator
Attitudes	creativity, appreciation
Transdisciplinary Skills	communication, thinking

Third Trimester, Second Grade
Feb. 26-Apr. 27

Theme	How We Organize Ourselves
Title	Village People
Key Concepts	responsibility, function, reflection
Related Concepts	behavior, systems, citizenship
Central Idea	A community depends on the responsible participation of individuals.
Inquiry Into	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Purpose of public service 2. Types and functions of public service 3. Responsibilities of citizens to support our communities
Learner Profile	reflective, inquirer
Attitudes	commitment, independence
Transdisciplinary Skills	self-management, communication

Apr. 30-June 4

Theme	Sharing the Planet
Title	It's not Easy Being Green
Key Concepts	connection, function, change
Related Concepts	interdependence, adaptations, growth
Central Idea	Plants and people depend on each other in order to survive.
Inquiry into	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. What plants need to grow 2. Lifecycle of a plant 3. Relationship between living things and plants
Learner Profile	caring, principled
Attitudes	appreciation, cooperation
Transdisciplinary Skills	research, thinking, communication