# **Curriculum Overview**

Brooks Crossing Elementary School

4<sup>th</sup> Grade

2012-2013

## Reading

#### Reading is Thinking

Students develop skills in working with text and analyzing text by thinking on literal, inferential and critical thinking level

#### Guided Reading

Small group leveled instructions designed to teach various reading strategies applicable to specific needs of students.

#### Independent Reading

Students read leveled books and confer with teacher to develop fluency and comprehension skills

# Writer's Workshop

O Differentiated instruction comprised of conferring with students individually and delivering mini-lessons focusing on organizing ideas, drafting with purpose, revising with writer's crafts, and celebrating published pieces with readers.

#### Units of Study

- Personal Narrative
- Realistic Fiction
- Personal Essay
- Literary Essay

# **Spelling**

### Words Their Way

Differentiated Instruction

#### **Mathematics**

- Topics of Study
  - Large Numbers & Place Value
  - Multiplication & Division
  - Geometry
  - Algebraic Thinking & Fractions
  - Data Analysis & Graphing
- Investigation Unit
- Math for All Kinds of Minds

### Science

- Biomes and Ecosystems
- Matter and Energy
- Magnets and Electricity

## **Social Studies**

- Colonial America
- American Revolution
- Democracy

#### Research

- Using Various Resources
  - Reference
  - Informational Text
  - Online Database
- Taking Notes
- Powerpoint Presentation on Ecosystems

## **Tech-Integrated Curriculum**

- Media Center & Technology Lab
- Microsoft Word
- Microsoft Excel
- Microsoft Powerpoint
- Smartboard Integrated Interactive Lessons

# **Specials**

- Spanish
- Physical Education
- Art
- Music