

Sparks® ignites the curiosity of early elementary-age kids to learn about the people and events the Bible, building a foundation of wisdom for knowing Christ.

To many children in kindergarten to second grade, Sparks is the highlight of the week! They love their red vests, the exciting games and spending time with leaders and friends.

Sparks is divided into three years, each with a unique rank: HangGlider®, WingRunner® and SkyStormer<sup>TM</sup>. Each year, Sparks clubbers:

- explore the biographies of people of the Bible from a new portion of Scripture
- memorize Bible verses
- complete handbook activities

The handbooks, combined with Large Group Time lessons, take your child on a journey through the entire Bible!

Sparks curriculum is comprised of three handbooks. Each handbook builds a foundation of biblical wisdom through memory verse drills, crafts, activities and review of key doctrine and Bible facts.









Before working in the first handbook, HangGlider, all newcomers to Sparks will complete an entrance booklet – Flight 3:16 – that centers on the gospel message of John 3:16. WingRunner and SkyStormer handbooks challenge Sparkies to learn about 15 more verses than the preceding book.

Each handbook includes an audio CD with readings of all the Bible biographies, memory verses and character stories featuring Sparky the Firefly and his friends Chloe, Jacob and Joel.

Handbooks must be completed in order with the following exceptions:

HangGlider	WingRunner	SkyStormer
Red Jewel 1:1 – Bring a Friend	Red Jewel 1:1 – Bring a Friend	Red Jewel 1:1 – Bring a Friend
Green Jewel 2	Red Jewel 2:1, and 2:2	Green Jewel 2:1, 2:2, and 2:3
Green Jewel 4:2 & 4:3	Green Jewel 4:3	Green Jewel 4:2

Book schedule for a Sparky in who starts Sparks in kindergarten:

1st Year	2nd Year	3rd Year
Kindergarten	1st Grade	2nd Grade
Flight 3:16		
HangGlider	WIngRunner	SkyStormer
HangGlider Review	WIngRunner Review	SkyStormer Review
HangGlider Frequest Flyer	WingRunner Frequest Flyer	SkyStormer Frequest Flyer
Verse Memory Pins	Verse Memory Pins	Verse Memory Pins

Sparkys only need to finish the handbook to receive their book award.

Book schedule for a Spark who starts in 1<sup>st</sup> grade see the first two columns and for 2<sup>nd</sup> grade see the last column.

1st Year	2rd Year	1st Year
1st Grade	2nd Grade	2nd Grade
Flight 3:16	SkyStormer	Flight 3:16
HangGlider	SkyStormer Review	HangGlider
WIngRunner	SkyStormer Frequest Flyer	WIngRunner
HangGlider Review	Verse Memory Pins	SkyStomer
WingRunner Review		HangGlider Review
HangGlider Frequent Flyer		WingRunner Review
WingRunner Frequent Flyer		Skystomer Review
Verse Memory Pins		HangGlider Frequent Flyer
		WingRunner Frequent Flyer
		SkyStormer Frequest Flyer
		Verse Memory Pins

Reviews, Frequent Flyers, and Verse Memory Pins are not required to receive the Sparky Award.

## **Parental Role**

Parents play a leading role in their child's spiritual development.

Invest in your child's growing faith by reading and discussing the Bible and the handbook sections with your child and by helping him memorize the verses. Use the Parent Ideas section in each handbook to help your child understand the biographies and see how they fit in the Bible. Sparks Bookwalks are online tools that walk you through your child's handbook to help YOU help your child. Optional parent

handbooks (HangGlider, WingRunner and SkyStormer) from Awana at Home correspond to your child's handbooks. These books make it easy to learn more about the Bible and answer your child's questions.

You'll notice there are areas in the book that need to be signed by their Leader. Please so not sign those areas. Please use Post-its for notes for the leaders.

## **Sparks**

Handbook	Verses recited*
Sparks Flight 3:16	1
Sparks HangGlider™	35
Sparks WingRunner	50
Sparks SkyStormer	64
Total for Sparky Award Plaque	150

## Resources

HangGlider, WingRunner, and SkyStormer music available online.

## **THBC AWANA**

**Check-in:** Please do not check-in your Sparky until 4:15 p.m. (unless you are a volunteer) to give volunteers time to prepare for club. Sparks check-in will be in the main sanctuary.

Awards: Your Sparky will receive an award for the following:

Flight 3:16

Rank

Red Jewels 1, 2, 3, and 4 Green Jewels 1, 2, 3, and 4

Frequent Flyer Pin (One per Frequent Flyer book.)

Verse Memory Pins (Psalm 1, 23, 78:1-8; Philippians 2; 1 John 1; James 1; Romans 8:28-39)

Awards start approximately at 5:50 p.m. Please attend if you know your Sparky is going to receive an award. Sparky's love to see their family when they receive their award

**Pickup:** Please pickup your Sparky promptly at 6 p.m. Everyone who helps with AWANA are volunteers and we need to respect their time. If you have children in other clubs, please pickup your youngest first, and then so on.