

# Sunny Days



## English Language Arts

**FOUNDATIONAL SKILLS**

**Words to Know**  
HIGH-FREQUENCY WORDS

do	find	funny
sing	no	they

**Comprehension Skills and Strategies**

**TARGET SKILL**

- Sequence of Events
- Author's Word Choice

**TARGET STRATEGY**

- Monitor/Clarify

**Spelling**

Short o; Consonants l, x

log	hot
dot	ox
top	lot

**Grammar**

Action Verbs

Mix, mix, mix a bit. Mix, mix, mix a lot! -George

Hello my dear 2nd Graders!

Time flies really fast. It's our **second** month already. Thanks for **doing** your **best**. You always make me proud. What are the things that you **enjoy** doing at **school**? Please tell me about it.

This month, we will continue to **read** about **Curious George**. He is **funny**, right?

Oops! Don't forget your spelling words. Please write neatly. **Practice, practice, practice!** You can **do** it! You can always watch our spelling video in Seesaw.

Let's keep reading!



Reading is the **KEY** to learning.

Ms. Gundayao



## Arts and Craft

Every Child is an Artist. Let's Explore and Create!

Hello everyone!

Did you enjoy your first month in the 2<sup>nd</sup> grade? I'm so proud of what you've done so far. Keep it up!

This month, we will be doing two projects. In one of our projects, we will be using clay to make "The Secret Guanaco".

*What is a Guanaco? What does it look like? What can it do?*

For our second project, we will be using some paper and straws to make some **Flying Spinners**. This project will require you to think a lot!



Let's **enjoy** and have some **fun**!

Ms. Gundayao



### Useful Words

Habitat  
Wings  
Imagination  
Personality  
Shape



## Physical Education

### Useful Words

Coordination  
Go over  
Pass  
Receive  
Ring baton  
Switch

Showing our dance moves in May!

Hello guys!

I hope you had a nice Golden Week!

Last month, we ran the **50-meter sprint**, did **relays** with a **ring baton**, and practiced **ball toss** in teams!

This month, in preparation for sports day, we will **practice** our **dancing**, Gurenge-style!



Mr. Smith



## 123

## Mathematics



Look at your clock at home. *What time is it?*

*Ticky, ticky, ticky, Tick-a-tock! Ticky, ticky, ticky, Tick-a-tock!*  
*Ticky, ticky, ticky, Tick-a-tock! What time is it?*

In April, we used **time** to talk about **how long** something takes. We also learned some words like: **now**, **later**, and **ago**. Do you remember these words? This month we will review these words and continue to learn about **a.m.**, **p.m.**, **noon**, and **midnight**.

We will also start doing **addition** and **subtraction** with **large numbers**. You will need to have your counting sticks for class, so please keep them at school.

### Useful Words

hour, minutes  
now, ago,  
later  
duration  
Place Value

Ms. Gundayao



# Shooting Star



## English Language Arts

### Clap along if you feel happy!

#### Words to Know:

Poetry  
Biography

#### Grammar Points:

Nouns  
Singular Nouns  
Plural Nouns

Hello 3<sup>rd</sup> graders!

How was your **Golden Week holiday**? I hope you had a good break. Great job on your first month as 3<sup>rd</sup> graders! I am especially happy about your note-taking skills and journals! Keep it up!

This month we will be learning about **Dr. Seuss** and his works. We will also learn **nouns** that name one and more than one.

Here's a quiz for you:

one book - 3 books

one man - 5 \_\_\_?



Ms. Mimura



## Arts and Craft

### Add some color to your world!

Hello 3<sup>rd</sup> Graders!

I hope you all had a good break! I have to apologize for the change of plan. We did not work on painting Hydrangeas last month. Instead, we started painting our "Colorful Chameleons".

This month, we are going to work more on our **color control** and **water balance** by mixing different colors for the project. We will also create and paint a background for our picture.



#### Our Projects

My Colorful Chameleon

#### Useful Keywords

Blend  
Balance  
Mix  
Colorful  
Gradation  
Flow

Mr. Chia



## Physical Education

### Dancing up a storm!

Welcome back 3<sup>rd</sup> graders!

I hope you had a nice golden week!

Last month we ran the **50-meter sprint** and we **ran relays with batons** to practice for sports day. Well done!! This month, we will continue to practice for sports day, **carrying a big ball** in teams and **practicing a new dance**...

Let's do our best to prepare well, and dance as if no one is watching!



Mr. Smith



## 123

## Mathematics

### Everyone is a mathematician!

So far, we have learned about **division**.

This month, we will learn about **division with a remainder**. This can be tricky, but let's all try our best!

Here's a Math problem for you:

Miss Mimura has 15 bananas to be shared among 7 students. How many bananas does each student get? How many **remain**?



#### Words to Know:

Remainder  
Divisible  
Not Divisible

Ms. Mimura





## English Language Arts

**Important words:**

About  
Both  
Compare  
Could  
Different  
Quotation Mark  
There

**Let's take a road trip in May!**

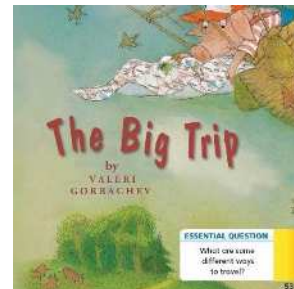
Hi guys! How are you?

Last month, we learned new words, and we learned to find facts about astronauts. Well done!

In May, we will finish Lesson 16 by studying long o and long u words!

After that, we begin Lesson 17 by studying new words and new skills. We will compare characters in the story *The Big Trip*, and more!

As always, let's do our best!!



Mr. Smith



## Arts and Craft

**Be inspired by the beauty around you !**

Hello 4th Graders!

I hope you all had a fantastic Golden Week! This month, we will be finishing our "Things we like to do with friends" project. When we are done with that, we will start working on our "Shiny Box". In this project, we will be practicing our drawing and cutter knife skills.

Here are some samples and pictures of other 4th Graders.

What kind of ideas will you have?

**Useful Words**

Foil  
Lines  
Seamless  
Cellophane  
Outline  
Reverse

Mr. Chia



## Physical Education

**Important words:**

Baton  
By height  
Coordination  
Go over  
Pass  
Receive  
Switch

**Welcome back, P.E. Lovers!!**

Hello 4th graders! Are you guys ready for sports day!? I hope so!

Last month, we ran the 50-meter sprint, ran baton relays, and practiced carrying the big ball. Well done!

In May, we will continue to prepare for sports day, especially dancing!!!



Mr. Smith



## 123

## Mathematics

**Let's line up!**

Hello, 4th graders!

Great job in April studying large numbers! Everyone was able to say and use numbers as large as million, billion, and trillion. Those are some huge numbers!

This month we will learn how to make a new type of graph - line graphs. These are very useful to show how numbers change over time. They are quite popular in business and the news!



Mr. Bond



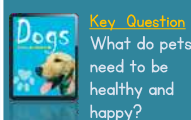
# Special Times

May 2021



## English Language Arts

### This Month



**Key Question**  
What do pets need to be healthy and happy?

### Spelling

#### Long Vowels a, i

cake prize  
mine wipe  
plate race  
size line  
ate pile  
grape rake

### Target Vocabulary

hairy canned  
mammals chewed  
litter clipped  
stayed coat

### Phonics

#### Long Vowels a, i

Sounds for c

### Grammar

Types of Sentences

**"Pets understand humans better than humans do."**

- Ruchi Prabhu

Hello boys and girls!

I hope you all had a good break and feel refreshed now. Were you able to relieve your stress? This month, we will finish our previous lesson about comparing and contrasting and begin a new unit.

In this unit, we will be asking ourselves **"What do pets need to be healthy and happy?"** Do you have a pet? How do you take care of it? We have our class guppies that we have to take care of. What do they need to be happy?

We will be looking at our anchor text called **"Dogs"** by Jennifer Blizin Gillis and thinking about these two questions:

**Why did she write this book?**

**What is she trying to tell us?**



Tap here to listen

We will also be singing **"Fight Song"** by Rachel Platten. This song is about believing in yourself and not giving up!

Mr. Chia



## Physical Education

### Key Words

in sync

baton

rhythm

hydration

## Dancing!

Hello, 5<sup>th</sup> graders!

April went by like a **breeze**! It's already May, which means it is time for our **Sports Day**.

Last month we worked on running **quickly**. We will continue to practice running and passing the baton **smoothly**. However, this month we will begin practicing our dance! This dance will be **together** with the 6th graders. That's right, **5th** and **6th** graders will **dance together**! Put on your **red** shoes and dance the **blues**!



Mr. Bond



## Arts and Craft

**"Art is not what you see, but what you make others see."**

- Edgar Degas

Hello 5<sup>th</sup> Graders!

I hope you had a wonderful Golden week. Thank you for your **great effort** on your art project. Let's keep going!

In May, we will continue our **3D Name Sculpture**. Thank you for your amazing and unique **letter designs**.

This month we will also be working to improve our **understanding and control of values and shading**. We will be learning about three different shading techniques shown below. These techniques will help us create the **illusion of depth**.

### Useful Words

Value

Shading

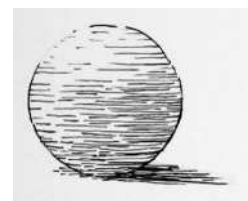
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Stippling

Shadows

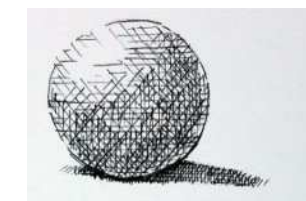
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Line Spacing

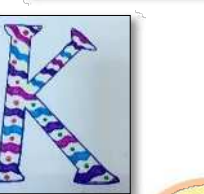
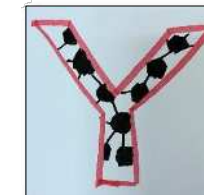
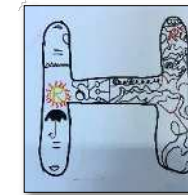
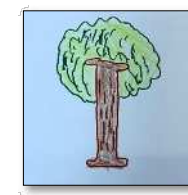
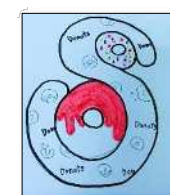


Stippling



Cross-hatching

Here are some of your **friend's work**. Can you guess who made them?



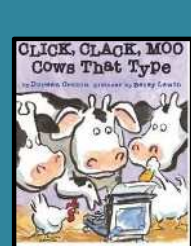
I'm looking forward to seeing your artworks.  
Let's **enjoy** and **have fun**!

Ms. Gundayao





## English Language Arts



Hello, 6th graders!

First of all, I want to say **excellent work** on making our **international communication event** with Shigen Elementary School a **success**! All of you worked so hard with only a short amount of time, but you did it. Only **you** 6th graders could do it!



This month, we are going to continue with **Click, Clack, Moo: Cows that Type**. We only studied the vocabulary last month, so this month let's read the story together. Are you good at typing? How many **words per minute** can you type?

Mr. Bond



## Physical Education

### Dancing!

#### Key Words

relay

pass

in sync

rhythm

Hello, everyone!

With **only two** lessons of P.E. in each week, the month goes by so **quickly**. This month we are going to continue working on **passing the baton** quickly, so you get a good time in the relay race.

Also, we are going to learn a **new dance** for the Sports Day. This dance will be **together** with the **5th graders**, so let's show them what 6th graders can do!

Mr. Bond



## Arts and Craft

**"There is no must in art because art is free."**

- Wassily Kandinsky

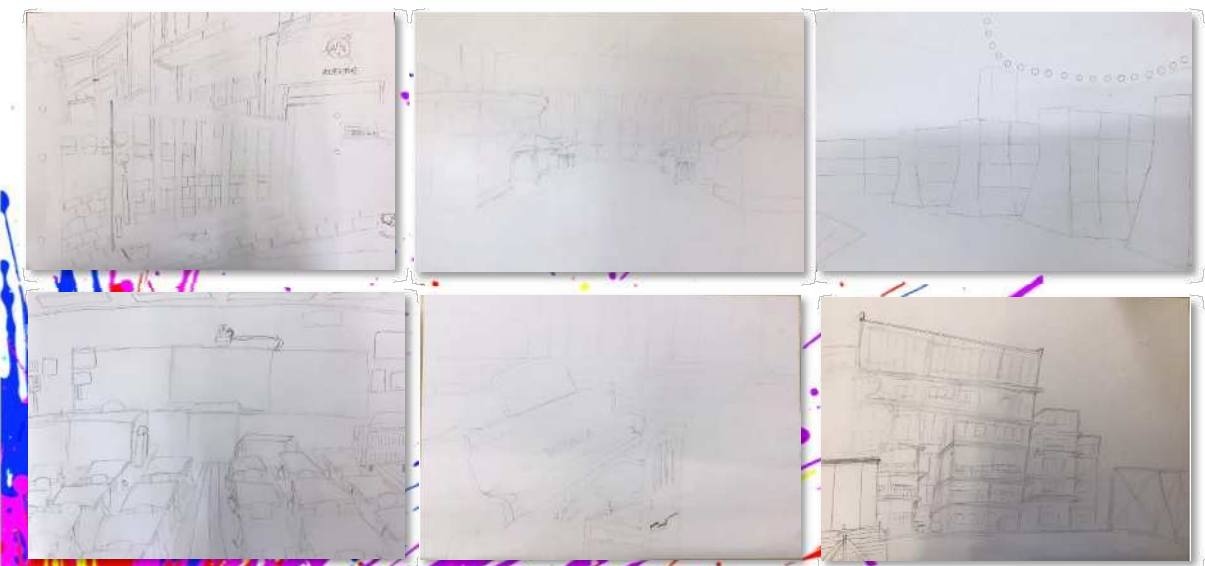
Hello 6<sup>th</sup> Graders!

Did you enjoy your Golden Week? I hope all of you had a good time and were able to have a good rest.

We will be continuing our **"Favorite Place in School"** project this month. I was impressed by some of your sketch drawings so far. We will focus on **improving our painting skills and attention to details** next.

Here are some of your pencil sketch artwork. Although it is still *early in the project* and I only have data from one of the classes, I am still very, very impressed by your work! It's quite exciting to think about what they will look after we are done painting!

### Artwork Showcase



#### Our Project

My Favorite Place in School

#### Useful Words

Angle

Composition

Outline

Details

Sketch

