



# SMALL TALK

November 2021



## English Language Arts

### Useful Keywords

Letter sounds

Letter names

Digraphs

Hello 1<sup>st</sup> graders!

We learned a lot of **letter sounds** and **digraphs** already. This month, we will now talk about the 5<sup>th</sup> family group of sounds. Do you know these letter sounds?:

z, w, ng, v, oo, Oo

Let's do our best this month!



Mr. Bautista

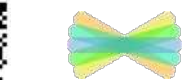


## Arts and Craft

### Let's have fun all the time!

Hello 1<sup>st</sup> Graders!

It's autumn now and the leaves around us will change to a beautiful color soon. It is also getting colder so please remember to keep warm. This month, we will begin our **Miniature House** project. We will be using recycled materials like **boxes**, **toilet paper rolls**, **paper cups**, **trays**, etc. to create a small house with different rooms, furniture and decorations. Please remember to bring some boxes to school.



Tap here to listen to an example from last year.

### Useful Keywords

- Build
- Together
- Join
- Warm
- Cool
- Rooms
- Furniture

Mr. Chia



## Physical Education

### Jump! Jump! November.

### Useful Words

Fold

Jump

Skip

Twist

Timing

Hello 1<sup>st</sup> graders!

This month, we will be learning how to use our jump rope.

We need to learn how to **fold** and **bring** it properly whenever we are not using it. Remember, **safety** is very important during P.E classes!

We will also try different styles of jump rope exercise.

Let's all have a fun and safe P.E!



Mr. Bautista



## 123 Mathematics

## Mathematics

### Nice to meet you!

Hello everyone!

I am very happy to meet all of you!

You've learned a lot of lessons in Math already.

This month, we are going to learn about **shapes**.

Do you know how to say these in English?



We will also learn how to calculate 3 numbers.

Mr. Bautista





# Sunny Days



## English Language Arts



Hello my dear 2<sup>nd</sup> Graders!

This month, we are going to learn more about our anchor text *Jack and the Wolf*.

*Jack and the Wolf* is a **fable**. Do you know what a **fable** is? What lessons can you **learn** from **story characters**? Do you know any Japanese fables? Please tell me about it.

Thank you for doing your spelling practice every week. You have been really good at spelling! You can do it!

Ms. Soo



**FOUNDATIONAL SKILLS**

**Words to Know**  
HIGH-FREQUENCY WORDS

away	call	come
every	hear	said

**Spelling**

Short a

an	had
bad	cat
can	ran

**Writing**

Informative Writing:  
Sentences  
Focus Trait: Ideas

**Grammar**

Complete Sentences

**Vocabulary Strategies**

Shades of Meaning

## Arts and Craft

Hello everyone!

This month, we are studying about a famous author and artist called **Eric Carle**. Do you know some of his works?

Some of us have probably read his books like "The Very Hungry Caterpillar" and "Brown Bear, Brown Bear, What Do You See?"

In Art class, we will be thinking about **what makes Eric Carle's art so special** and **how he made them**. We will also try to make our own **Eric Carle inspired art**.

I am looking forward to all your creative ideas and techniques! Here are some of Eric Carle's famous works of art.



Ms. Soo



### Projects

Eric Carle Art

### Useful Words

Collage Texture  
Layers Contrast  
Gradient Technique



## Physical Education

### Word Bank

Lock

Thumbs

Spread out

Shoulder-width

Vault box

## Having fun on the Iron Bars in November!

Hello guys!

This month we will begin playing on the **iron bars** and combinations. The will go over the rules for safety, review basic iron bar exercises, learn some new moves, and more.



On rainy days, we will begin learning basic exercises on the **vault box** in the arena.

Mr. Smith



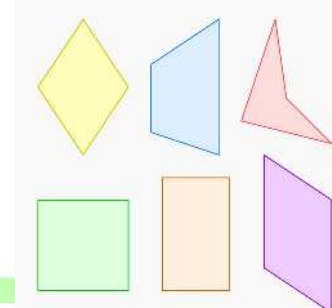
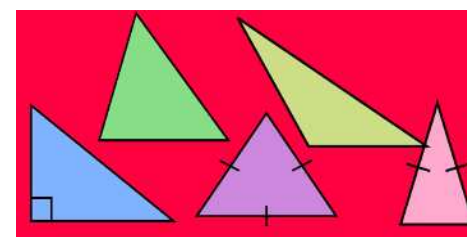
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## Mathematics

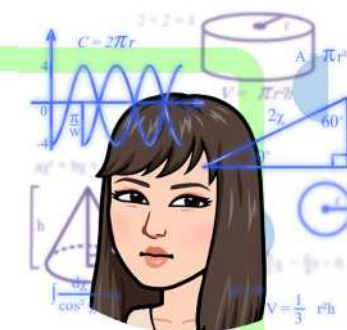
Hello kids,

It's getting colder and colder, I hope you are keeping yourself nice and warm. Please take care and don't catch a cold!

This month we will learn a lot about **triangles** and **quadrilaterals**. Do you know how many **sides** there are in each? How about how many **vertices** there are in each? These are some of the things we will study this month.



Ms. Soo





# Shooting Star



## English Language Arts

### Words to Know:

two  
three  
four  
five  
into  
over  
starts  
watch

### Time flies! Let's go back to the past!

Well done learning about **Subject and Verb Agreement** last month! You also remember Singular and Plural Nouns! I am so proud of you!

This month, we will learn more grammar. What is a **verb**? Do you know **past tense** of these words?

look → \_\_\_\_ watch → \_\_\_\_ see → \_\_\_\_

We will also continue learning about different seasons and our target skill **Cause and Effect**.

Mrs. Hart



## Arts and Craft

### It's Hammer Time!

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

You have done a great job so far on your Wood Art projects. We have done well to **stay focused and follow safety rules**. You have all done very well and are using saw and hammers confidently.

This month we will work on finishing our Wood Art with some decorations and **start a cultural project**.



Tap to watch a video!



### Our Projects

Wood Art

### Useful Keywords

hammer  
nails  
crowbar  
sandpaper  
gimlet  
needle-nosed

Mr. Chia



## Physical Education

### Words to Know:

Take-off  
Standing jump  
3-step jump  
5-step jump  
7-step jump

### Jumping into November!

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

Last month, we were learning to play **tag rugby**. This month, we will continue to play tag rugby games.

After that, we will begin **long jump games**. Playing these long jump games will not only help us to improve our jumping ability, but it is fun!

Let's see how far you can jump!

Mr. Smith



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## Mathematics

### Weight a minute!

I am sure this month will be easy peasy for you, as you have already learned about **Weight** in Japanese Math!

Here's a weight quiz for you:



The largest animal on earth is the blue whale.

Do you know much it weighs?

150 tons      100 tons      15,000 kilograms

### Words to Know:

weight  
gram  
kilogram  
ton

Mrs. Hart







## English Language Arts

Important words:

Cause  
Effect  
So  
Happen  
Life  
Lesson  
Folktale

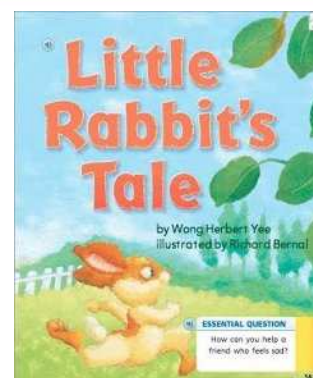
## A November to Remember

Hi 4<sup>th</sup> graders!

Great job reading and thinking about "Tomas Rivera". I hope you enjoyed it!

This month, we will learn to read and write words with **oa** and **ow**, and we will learn new vocabulary words. After that, we will read the story "Little Rabbits Tale". Reading this story will make us think about **cause** and **effect**.

It's getting closer and closer to the end of the term. Let's do our best!!!



Mr. Smith



## Arts and Craft

## "Art is the daughter of freedom."

- - Friedrich Schiller



Hello everyone!

Great job with your **positive** and **negative** art. This month, we will use what we learned and start **working on our Wood Prints** while learning how to use our **wood carving tools**.

Useful Words

carving tools  
curve  
lines  
balance  
deep



Mr. Chia



## Physical Education

Important words:

Lock  
Fingers  
Thumbs  
Bend  
Hold  
Lift

## Iron Bar training in November

Hello, hello!

Last month, we worked on **high jump** skills, and there were many 90-centimeter and over jumps! Well done!!

This month, we will begin **iron bars** outside. We will review many exercises and more! If it is raining, we will begin **mat exercises** in the arena.

It's getting close to December! Let's do our best!



Mr. Smith



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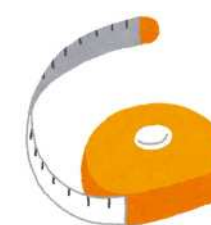
## Mathematics

## This is my area

Hello, 4<sup>th</sup> graders!

Great work last month with organizing data. We were able to get through it quickly and easily.

This month we will start thinking about **area**. Area is very important when we talk about **how large** a shape or space is. We can use many different **units** to measure area, but we will start with **one square centimeter**. Let's do it!



Mr. Bond





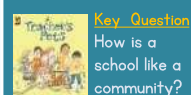
# Special Times

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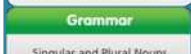


## English Language Arts

### This Month



**Key Question**  
How is a school like a community?

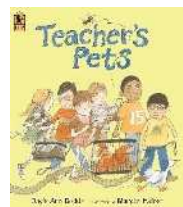


## Winter is coming !

Hello everyone,

November is already here. The time has definitely gone by very quickly. This month, we will continue with our Anchor Text; **Teacher's Pets**.

We have been focused on improving our past tense and remembering **irregular verbs**. I'm looking forward to seeing you use what you have learned in class when **writing in your journals**.



Tap here to listen



Tap here to listen

Mr. Chia



## Physical Education

### Keywords

roll  
bridge  
handstand  
spring

## Let's roll out the mats!

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

Long time no see! I'm back for P.E. lessons! I have heard you're trying very hard in **all of your classes**. That's great! I'm looking forward to **exercising** with you and learning about **physical education**.

This month we will do **mat exercises**. I hope you are ready to roll! Let's do it!

Mr. Bond



## Arts and Craft

## Work hard, be kind and amazing things will happen !

Hello everyone!

It's getting **colder** outside so please keep yourself **warm** and try not to **catch a cold**.

Everyone is doing a great job with their wire model figures, I'm really happy that you are focusing on the details! Here are some pictures of when you were doing your projects!

### Useful Words

Legs  
Arms  
Joints  
Features  
Joints  
Frame  
Torso

### Wire Model Figure: In process



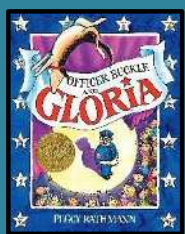
Ms. Soo







## English Language Arts



Hello, 6th graders!

Everyone did a great job in English class last month. We learned many things about **Helen Keller** and the rights of those with **disabilities**.

In November we are going to read a new story from our Journeys book. It's called **Officer Buckle and Gloria**. This is a **humorous** book about always keeping safety in mind. Do you have any ideas for staying **safe at school**? Let's think about it together this month.

Mr. Bond



## Physical Education

### Key Words

control  
safely  
balance  
cartwheel  
supported  
handstand

### Time to hit the mats!

Hello 6<sup>th</sup> graders! Long time no see (for P.E. class!). I'm excited to have P.E. class with you again and I hope we can **increase** our **skills** together.

Our first few lessons together will be **mat exercises**. Let's **solidify the basics** and work on challenging ourselves with 6th grade level **movements**!

Mr. Bond



## Arts and Craft

"Everything that is real was **IMAGINED** first."

from the Velveteen Rabbit



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

It's November and we only have two months before we end 2021. I hope you are all enjoying your time at school. We are almost **done with our Music Box project**. It was very interesting to see which songs you chose.



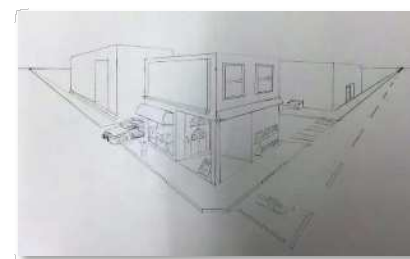
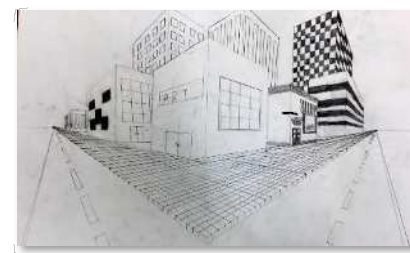
### Our Project

Music Box  
2 Point Perspective

### Useful Words

vanishing point  
horizon line  
structure  
features  
shadows

This month, we will be using what we learned before to **push our drawings skills** a little higher. In the 4<sup>th</sup> grade, we made drawings with one vanishing point. This time, we will **make drawings with two vanishing points**. It will be challenging but I am sure we will create some excellent work. Here's some artwork from last year's 6<sup>th</sup> Graders.



Mr. Chia

