

SMALL TALK



English Language Arts

Useful Words

- Letter Sounds
- Letter Names
- Digraphs

Hello 1st graders!

We learned lot of **letter sounds** and **digraphs** already. This month, we will now talk about the 5th 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



Physical Education

Useful words

- Walk around
- Order
- Lock
- Thumb
- Bend
- Lean

Iron bar fun!

Hello, 1st Graders!

It's already **November**! Wow. The time is going quickly! This month, we will continue training on the **iron bars** with swallow style, apple, style, chimpanzee, and more! After that, we will do **ball carrying** activities!

Let's always show **good sportsmanship**!

Mr. Smith



Arts and Craft

Don't forget to smile!

Hello 1st Graders!

A big Happy New Year to you! For our first project of the year, we will start working on our **Winter Trees project**. Can you think about what trees look like in the winter? What kind of shape do they have? In this project, we will learn about **tape resist** and about how art can be made using all kinds of materials.

We will also be **making a beautiful kite** that we will fly outside during our Life Studies lesson. What would you like your kite to look like as it flies high up in the sky?



New Zealand



Malaysia



China

Mr. Chia



Our Projects

- Winter Trees
- Sticker Print

Useful Keywords

- resist
- salt
- water
- layer
- artist tape

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Mathematics

Put together

Hello 1st graders!

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

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

What do you call this?



Which is longer?



Mr. Bautista



- ### Useful Words
- Measurements
 - Measure
 - Long
 - Short
 - Heavy
 - Light

Sunny Days 2023



English Language Arts

LANGUAGE	
Spelling	
Short i	
in	sit
will	six
did	big
Grammar	
Commas in a Series	
Vocabulary Strategies	
Using a Glossary	

Hello 2nd Graders!

Happy New Year! Did you have a wonderful time with your family?

This January we will finish our last chapter of Journeys- **How Animals Communicate**.

We will also learn some short i words, use **commas**, and learn how to use a **glossary**.



Ms. Soo



Arts and Craft

Hi boys and girls!

We are going to make a beautiful collage as our first project of the year. It is called the **Collaboration Project**!



Collaboration means **working together**, so let's do our best to work together as a **team** to make this project!

Useful words

- collage
- cut
- collaboration
- together

Ms. Soo



Physical Education



Hello, 2nd graders!

Welcome back to school, everyone!

I'm sure you had a **wonderful** time during **winter** vacation. Did you visit **family**? Stay at home? Please tell me about it!

This month we will continue using **mats**. As we start to move back outside, we will play some **ball kicking games** as well. It should be **fun**!

Mr. Bond



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Mathematics

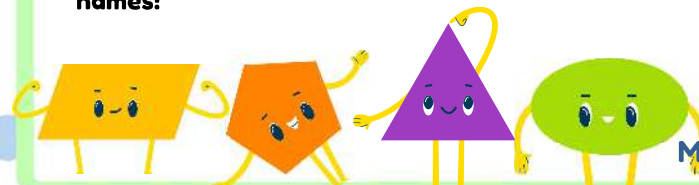
Hope you're doing well, 2nd Graders!

Welcome back to school! We are continuing with 2D shapes. Do you remember what are corners and sides? Do you know what is straight and curved?

We will look at more shapes and learn their names!

Useful words

- sides
- corners
- straight
- curved
- shapes



Ms. Soo



Shooting Star



English Language Arts

Q: What animal is the year 2023?

A: water rabbit



Hello 3rd Graders!

Happy New Year!

I hope you had fun during the winter break. For this month, we will continue where we left off with "The Big Race". After that, we will be learning how animals are **alike** and **different** in our Anchor Text, **Animal Groups**.

What makes tigers different from birds?

What makes tigers and cows alike?

Let's have a great 2023 together!

Mrs. Maligad



Physical Education

Mats!

Hello 3rd graders!



Welcome back to school! I hope all of you had a **memorable winter vacation**. Please tell me about it soon.

This month we will begin our unit on **mat exercises**. We will **stretch** and **roll** our way into the new year. Let's have a good time setting up **safely** and exercising well.

Mr. Bond



Arts and Craft

Communication and Support

Hello 3rd Graders,

Happy New Year to all of you! Did you enjoy your winter break? Our first project for this year will be a **collaboration project**. In June last year, you learned about an **American pop artist** called **Keith Haring**. Our collaboration art will be based on his style. In collaboration projects, it will be important for you to **work together with your classmates**. Good teamwork means being able to **communicate** and **support** each other well.

We will select the design from your class' winter vacation homework. I'm sure it will be great! Here are some designs from previous years.



Our Project

Keith Haring
Collaboration

Useful Keywords

Teamwork
Connect
Contrast
Bright
Position

Mr. Chia



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Mathematics

Let's Measure!

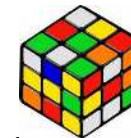
Hello, math wizards!

Welcome to 2023!

For our first math lesson this year, we will finish learning about **Area** and at the end of this month, we will learn how to find the **Volume**.

Let's try this!

1. How many layers does this Rubik's cube have?
2. How many **cubic centimetres** in each layer?
3. What is the total volume?



Words to Know:

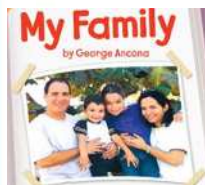
Volume
Cubic
Centimetres
Layer

Mrs. Maligad





English Language Arts



Welcome back, 4th graders!

I hope you had a wonderful time with your family and friends over the winter vacation! It's still cold outside, so be sure to stay bundled up and warm.

In January, we are going to start a new story in our Journeys textbook. This story is called **My Family**. It's about a girl named Camila and what her family likes to do together.

Of course, all families are different and enjoy doing different things. How about your family? What does your family like to do together? My family likes to eat good food!



Mr. Bond



Arts and Craft

Happy New Year 4th Graders!

Welcome to 2023! I hope you had a good break with your family. This month we will be studying positive and negative space in art. This project will help us prepare for our wood carving project, which we will start at the end of this month.

Positive space is about the main focus of a picture while negative space refers to the background. When we think about it creatively, we can create very interesting pictures from the composition alone.



Sky and Water by M.C. Escher (1938)



positive
negative
space
symmetry
composition
background

Mr. Chia



Physical Education



Last month we had a great introduction to the vault box activities. Everyone was trying their best and worked together to not only setup, but also clean up. I'm proud of your effort!

Useful words!

- tuck
- position
- stretch
- flexibility

This month we will learn one more skill - the leg-tuck vault. After that, we will finish with the vault boxes and move on to our next unit - mat exercises! I'm sure you're going to have fun with this one. Let's continue setting up the mats safely and efficiently.

Mr. Bond



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Mathematics

In December we learned about various 2D shapes and their names. Can you say their English names without checking your notes? If not, let's review!

We also studied a little bit about 3D shapes. This month we will continue learning about 3D shapes. After that we are going begin talking about angles. Check your spelling - did you write angles? Be careful!

Useful words

- top
- side
- front
- view
- angle



Mr. Bond





English Language Arts

Phonics

Contractions

Target Vocabulary

willows, vesicle, unpaired, ability, disjunct, abuse

High-Frequency Words

because, really, better, right, again, one, all, was, give

Comprehension Skills and Strategies

TARGET SKILL

- Fast and Opinion
- Author's Purpose

TARGET STRATEGY

- Monitor Clarity

Spelling

Contractions

I'm	I've
don't	didn't
can't	couldn't
won't	wasn't
aren't	weren't
isn't	isn't

Grammar

Verbs: Present, Past, and Future

Hello everyone!

I hope you all had some very happy family time during the winter break. This month, we will move ahead in Journeys but continue to focus on our theme of **understanding non-fiction books** and also checking the difference between **facts and opinions**.

Our next anchor text is called **"The Life of Jellies"** by **Twig C. George**. The ocean is very interest and I always thought ocean animals are beautiful and amazing so I am looking forward to learning more in this unit.

We will also be improving our grammar by learning about **future tenses**.



Anchor Text: The Life of Jellyfish



Wings to Fly

Key Question

What is special about animals that live in the ocean?



Arts and Craft

Useful words

- jigsaw
- board
- cutting
- machine
- curves
- blades

Hi 5th Grade!

Did everyone have a good New Year? I hope everyone had a good time with your family and friends.

This year we will be starting off with our last project. It is called **Communication Board**. You can use it at home to leave messages! It is also a big and exciting project. We will be learning how to use **the jigsaw machine**. It can be **dangerous** so let's follow the rules **strictly**.



jigsaw

Let's do a poll!
Let me know, how difficult was your last project, put a ✓

★ easy	
★★★★ SO-SO	
★★★★★★ difficult	



Physical Education

WORD BANK

- combine
- put together
- imitate
- tuck
- bend
- straighten

NEW YEAR, NEW SKILLS!

Hi, guys!

Happy New Year! I hope you had a nice, restful winter vacation, and I hope you didn't eat too much... But even if you did, we'll start the new year slowly. We will begin **mat exercises**: We will do easy exercises, such as v-pose and bridge, and we will practice the main skills, such as the open-leg roll, handstand, cartwheel, and more! Also, be sure to bring your **jump rope** because we will warm up with it sometimes.

Let's start the new year with a bang!





English Language Arts

Useful

Words

Subject

Verb

Hurry

Position

Roar

Extra

Curb

Cheer

Happy New Year!

Hi, 6th Graders!

Happy New Year! I know most of you were busy studying, but I hope you found some time to relax and enjoy the winter holidays.

It will be a busy month! We will **read the story**, *Luke Goes To Bat*. Why is it important to keep trying even if it is difficult to do? We will think about this and more in **January**! We will also begin practice for the **school show**. Let's do our best!

Mr. Smith



Physical Education

Useful

Words

Combine

Put together

Imitate

Tuck

Bend

Straighten

Routine

New Year, New Challenges

Hello again!

I hope you're all well rested and ready to go for the **final semester**! I think **January** will especially be fast. We will resume **mat exercises**. The main skills we will focus on are the **open-leg rolls**, the **straight-leg backward roll**, the **handstand roll**, the **cartwheel**, and the **round-off**. After that, we will think about how to **combine these various movements** to **make a routine**. Let's do it!

Mr. Smith



Arts and Craft

"Every child is an artist. The problem is how to remain an artist once we grow up."

- Pablo Picasso

Hello 6th Graders!

I hope you had a wonderful new year. Unfortunately we did not have time to work on our Picasso project in December so at the start of this month, we will learn more about his work. Did you watch the video from the December newsletter?

Remember, we will be looking at his style called **"The Blue Period"**. During this time, Picasso only painted using **blue and blue-green** but he was still able to create very deep **'monochromatic'** works of art. This was the information from last month's newsletter for you to look at again.



Our Project

Monochromatic Art

Useful Words

Appreciation

Critique

Mood

Value

Portrait

Monochrome

Cubism

monochromatic

mono = one chroma = color

The Blue Period



What do you see in these artwork?

How do these pictures make you feel?

What *do* you like about it?

What *don't* you like about it?

I am looking forward to seeing you **express yourself** and **exercising your creativity** in this project!



Tap to watch a video

Mr. Chia

