

# Step by Step

December 2023



## English Language Arts

### Useful words

pronouns  
he  
she  
we  
they  
School Show  
roles

Hello awesome First Graders!

Just like that, December is here! Are you looking forward to your winter break?

This month, we will continue to learn more sounds and explore **pronouns**. Additionally, we will discuss the **school show** scheduled for March, where we'll be presenting the story "Alibaba and the Forty Thieves". Roles will be assigned to everybody, and it's important to remember that each role is important.

Click the book to watch the video.



Mrs. Maligad



## Arts and Craft

Hello again 1st Graders!

Hasn't this year gone by so fast? You've all done an **amazing job** in art lesson while we're learning about warm and cool colors. I love all your **creativity and understanding** of colors. For the projects this month, we will be working on a **collaboration project** and also small **Christmas** one. Let's end 2023 with some **big and happy smiles**!



### Useful words

together  
teamwork  
build  
balance  
connect

Mr. Chia



## Physical Education

Hello 1st Graders!

It's getting colder everyday! Hope you are well.

### Useful words!

jump rope  
skip  
jump  
timing  
rhythm

This month, we will continue doing jump rope exercise.

We will do forward jump, backward jump, zigzag jump, one-legged jump, criss cross jump and many others.

Lets enjoy our P.E. this month!

Mr. Bautista



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## Mathematics

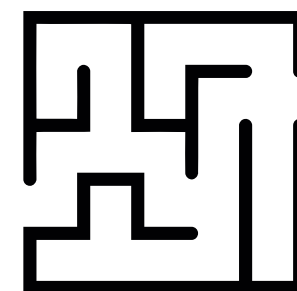
Hello 1st Graders!

**1-2-3! Let's go!**

Here we are in a new month of math adventures! Are you ready for some exciting challenges?

This month, we will learn about **Directions**-**forward, backward, clockwise** and **anticlockwise**.

Can you help the boy get to Disneyland?  
Which way should he go?



### Useful words

**forward**  
**backward**  
**clockwise**  
**anticlockwise**

Mrs. Maligad





# Sunny Days



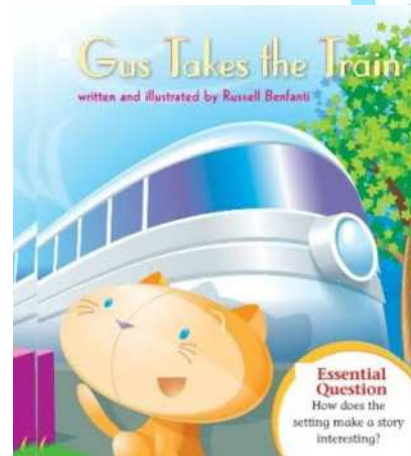
## English Language Arts

Hello 2nd Graders!

Great job with the **pronouns** and **pronoun-verb rule**! Can you remember all the pronouns?

This month we will continue with **past tense verbs**. Let's find out what are the rules for it.

We will also continue with the same anchor text- **Gus Takes the Train**. Let's learn more words from the story.



Ms. Soo



## Arts and Craft

Hi boys and girls!

I'm so proud of all of your efforts for the **Eric Carle Project**. All of you created **beautiful collages**, good job!

Our last project for the year is going to be a big one- our **collaboration project**. This year we will work together as a grade level to create **a large collage**! I hope everyone is ready for **good teamwork**.



### Useful words

- collab
- teamwork
- collage

Ms. Soo



## Physical Education

Hello, 2nd Graders!



You are jumping many ways very well now! We will continue to **have fun jumping**, including **jump rope**! After that, we will enjoy playing **tag games** and more until **Christmas** comes!

### Useful words

- far
- high
- zigzag
- jump on
- jump over



Mr. Smith



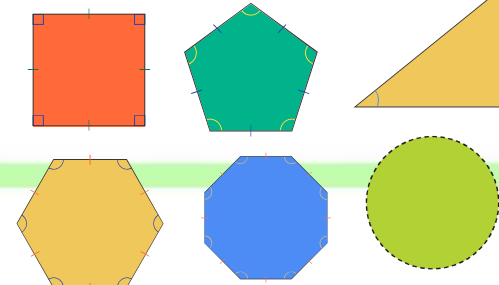
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## Mathematics

Hope you're doing well, 2nd Graders!

We are finally done with the **Chance** unit. Can you think of things that are **impossible**, **less likely**, **more like**, and **certain** to happen in your everyday lives?

Our last topic for this year is **2D Shapes**. We will look at different **shapes** and learn their **names** and **details**. Let's try our best!



### Useful words

- square
- triangle
- rectabngle
- pentagon
- octagon
- corners

Ms. Soo





# Shooting Star

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## English Language Arts

Hello 3rd graders!

It's winter time!

### Wordbank:

down  
fall  
goes  
green  
grow  
yellow  
open  
new

Our new anchor texts are in line with the changing of seasons. They're called "Seasons" and "Four Seasons for Animals". Do you know what animals do on different season of the year? We will learn that this month.

Lastly, we will learn new digraphs. Can you read this tongue twister 5 times without any mistakes?

"She sells seashells by the sea shore."

Mr. Bautista

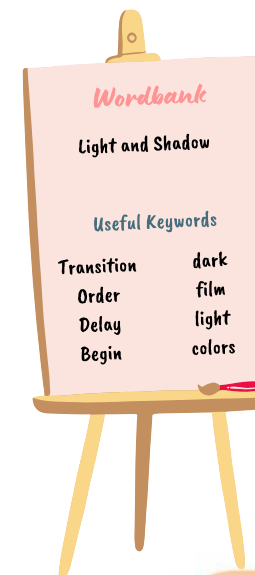


## Arts and Craft

Hello 3rd Graders!

Great job on your wood art! We have missed quite a number of Art lessons because of schedules but you have done well to catch up. It's *very interesting to see you imagine* how your wood art creations would come to life while you're working on your *animations using Keynote and iMovie*. I'm definitely looking forward to seeing your final video!

After we finish your animations, we will *complete the 2023 with a light and shadow project*. You have done an amazing job, and let's look forward to ending the year with big smiles!



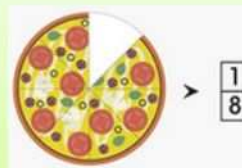
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## Mathematics

### Number Heroes

This month, we will learn about *fractions*. This topic is a little tricky, so to make it easier to understand, it is common to *represent* fractions using pizzas! Are you ready for some yummy treats?

Can you represent how many pizzas were eaten in a fraction?


 $\frac{1}{8}$ 

 $\frac{1}{4}$ 

 $\frac{1}{2}$ 

### Wordbank:

fractions  
numerator  
denominator  
equally  
fairly

Mr. Bautista



## Physical Education

### SPORTS WARRIORS

Hello 3rd graders!

You all did your best with the iron bar last month.

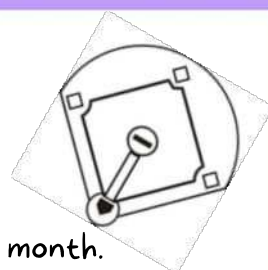
This month we are going to start with *hand baseball* game! First, we will learn how to *throw* and *catch* the ball properly.

Do you know *underhand throw*?

Dont worry, we will practice that this month.

Let's do our best again this month in P.E.!

Mr. Bautista



### Wordbank:

throw  
catch  
underhand throw  
bases  
diamond  
safe  
out





## English Language Arts

Hello 4th Graders!



Well done on your **biography presentations**! I think everyone tried so hard.

Finally, we will begin reading “**Little Rabbit’s Tale**”, and we will **read and create poetry**. Do you know what a **poem** is? We will learn about it before the end of the term.

Have a **Merry Christmas**!



## Word bank

- preposition
- prepositional phrase
- poetry
- simile
- rhyme

Mr. Smith



## Arts and Craft

Hello everyone!

Can you believe it’s already December and Christmas is just around the corner? This month, we will aim to **finish our Pinball games** and **have fun trying out our friends’ creations**! I’m looking forward to trying all your games. I’m sure there will be some **very challenging** ones out there!



## Wordbank

- |         |          |
|---------|----------|
| marble  | launcher |
| gimlet  | hammer   |
| design  | nails    |
| spinner | varnish  |

**FUN**

Mr. Chia



## Physical Education

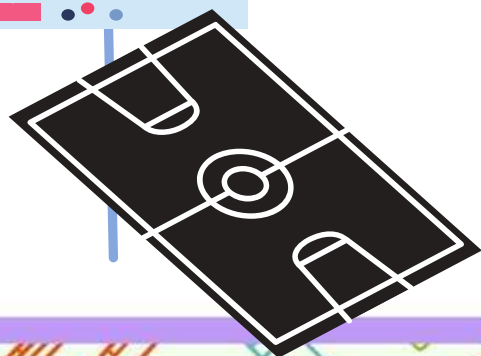
## Word bank

- teamwork
- handle
- huddle
- strategy

Hello, again!

Well done with your work on the **iron bars**, and you have begun well playing **Portball**!

For **December**, we will continue playing Portball. Afterwards, we will reunite with our **jump ropes** and jump over mini hurdles until **Christmas** Eve draws near.



Mr. Smith



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## Mathematics

Hi, 4th graders!

Nice job with our unit on **area**. You made some very interesting **dream house** rooms! You thought hard about where to put different items of **furniture** and what **size** they should be. Great work!

We are going to finish the 2nd term this year by looking various kinds of **fractions**. They can be tricky, but there will be some good activities to help you **learn it well**.

## Helpful Words

- halves
- thirds
- fourths
- fifths
- sixths
- eighths

Mr. Bond







## English Language Arts

### WINTER WONDERLAND

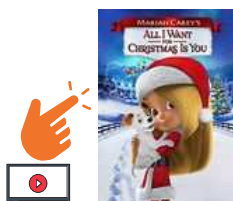


Hello everyone!

We're in the last month of 2024. We've had a good time learning about different animals and their homes so far and it's about time to start our group project. It has been great seeing you try to think of questions. As we discussed in class, thinking about questions will always create more learning than searching for answers. Since it's December, let's also sing a Christmas song this month to bring in the season cheer. Have a good one everyone!



Anchor Text: Animal Building Homes



All I want for Christmas is You



Mr. Chia



## Physical Education

### Tee Ball



Hello, everyone!

All of you tried so hard on the **running long jump**! It was exciting to see **how far** you could jump. Sometimes you stepped over the line and got a **foul**, which was very sad. However, everyone did their best and could learn how to **measure a jump** and how to **clean the sand**. Nice teamwork!

This month we will play **tee ball**! It's similar to baseball, but **different** in some important ways. We will play about 5 times before we begin our unit on the **iron bars**. Let's show good **sportsmanship** and be **good winners** and **good losers**. Let's play ball!

Mr. Bond



### WORD BANK

- pop fly
- groundball
- force out
- strike
- double play



## Arts and Craft

ART IS NOT WHAT YOU SEE,  
BUT WHAT YOU MAKE OTHERS SEE.

Hello 5th Graders,

Guess what? It's the last month of the year! You rocked the Wire Figure project with your awesome sculptures and cool details.

We've got one more class before winter break, and since Christmas is near, let's do something fun together. How about creating a **Tessellation Christmas Tree**? Not sure what **tessellation** means? Click the link below to find out.

Let's enjoy the last bit of the term and get excited for the new year!



### Wire Figure Model Art Showcase



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### Useful words

decorate  
tessellate  
ornaments  
poinsettia  
stockings





## English Language Arts



Hello, 6th graders!

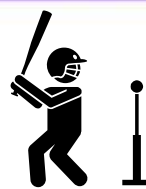
Is it already **December**? I can hardly believe it! I'm sure many of you are busy studying for your **junior high school exams**. I hope you can find some time to **relax** over the winter vacation and enjoy some **family time**.

This month we are reading **Officer Buckle and Gloria**, a humorous fiction about a police officer and his dog. It can be difficult to understand **humor** and **jokes** in a different language. Let's read this story and try to find some **funny** things in it. We will also be looking at the concept of **cause and effect** while we read this story.



## Physical Education

### Tee Ball



- pop fly
- force out
- tag out
- strike

Hello, everyone!

Everyone did a great job last month with the **running long jump**. I was very impressed with how quickly everyone measured the jumps, cleaned the sand, and signaled for the next jumpers to begin. **Nice teamwork** all around!

This month we are doing our unit on **tee ball**. By the time you read this, we will have already begun playing! You are doing quite well with following the **rules of the game** and giving **good advice** to your teammates. Great teamwork! After we finish tee ball, we will do both **jump rope** and **iron bar** skills.



## Arts and Craft

"Success is not the key to happiness.  
Happiness is the key to success. If you love  
what you are doing, you will be successful."

Hey there, cool cats of the sixth-grade squad!

We finally have art lessons again this month (although not that many). That said, we should always do our best with the time that we have. It has been very impressive seeing how you work with colors while you paint your music boxes.

We'll complete our graduation music boxes this month and then (if there is any extra time), we'll have fun working on a digital project using Augmented Reality (AR) - Reality Composer on our iPads.

