



ESTRELLA FOOTHILLS GLOBAL ACADEMY MAY NEWSLETTER



FINAL PRINCIPAL MESSAGE OF 22/23 SCHOOL YEAR

We have had an absolutely wonderful year! We welcomed over 300 new Scorpions to our EFGA family this year and expect to add another 200 to start the next school year.

We appreciate you giving us the wonderful opportunity to work with your child this year and thank you for your amazing support! I am so proud of our school community and will miss seeing everyone's smiling face each morning.

I hope you have a great summer and thank you for three incredible years serving as your principal! ~ Mrs. Zembruski



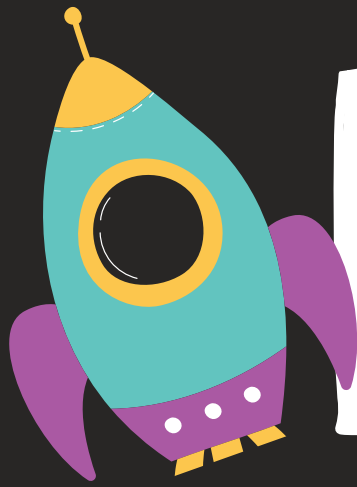
Developmental Preschool Newsletter

April Recap



May Upcoming

We're so excited to step into our last month of the school year! We are learning about the color orange, the shape oval and the theme ocean. We have a family field trip to the SeaLife Aquarium on May 6th and are so excited to see ocean animals in real life!



KINDERGARTEN CLASSROOM NEWS



Our little scorpions had so much fun learning about the moon phases and building the moon phases using oreos! This allowed them to use this month to journal the moon and sketch the moon phases that they see each night and morning!



FIRST GRADE NEWS



LATEST & GREATEST

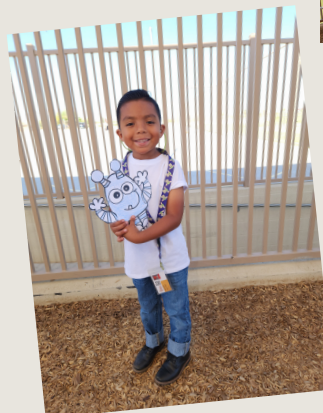
In preparation for EFGA's World Fair this week, we will be continuing our research projects on our country in South America.

This event, has really pushed us to be Inquirers as well as Gloabl Learners.

Writing: We will plan and write more personal narratives about a shared experience we have had in class. The students really enjoy the hands on experiences. Last week they made recess buddies to take outside to play with!



Science: We will continue to observe our lima bean seed to track how it grows and changes!



2ND GRADE

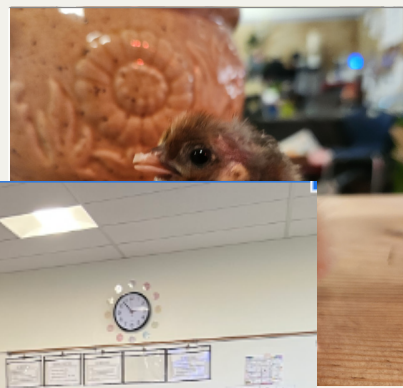
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WHAT WE ARE LEARNING:

We are coming to the end of the year quickly.

Students are learning about fractions, 2-D Shapes and 3-D shapes and their attributes. Students have even begun learning 3rd grade standards.

In reading, we are reading with prosody and automaticity and comprehending what we have read.



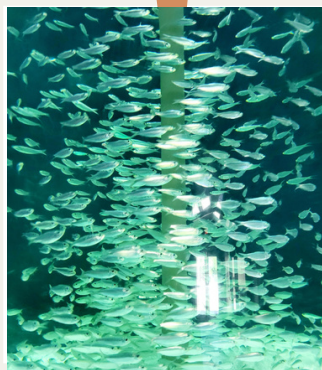
Students in Mrs. Whitson's class had a great time watching chicks and learning about the life cycle, and how to care for the birds.

CELEBRATIONS

We are excited to share all that we have learned this semester on our NWEA Math and Reading Tests and our AMS Web Testing. This kiddos have so much to celebrate!

We had a great time at our first field trip to the zoo! We have learned about animals and their habitats and it was exciting to see them in real life.

Students in Ms. Voise and Ms. Gonzalez's rooms have been doing the ABC Countdown to the last day of school!





Spring Newsletter

Third Grade



COMING UP THIS MONTH

ELA

We're finishing the year out with a couple of interesting informational texts about natural disasters! We'll use what we learn from those to help guide our last informative essays of the year!

Math

Can you believe it? We FINISHED all of our third grade math content! We're going to have some fun playing review games and then we'll wrap up the year by getting a sneak peak at some of the 4th grade material!

Social Studies

We'll take what we've learned about rocks, fossils, and NAative American culture this year and apply it to real life when we visit The Museum of Natural History in a few weeks!

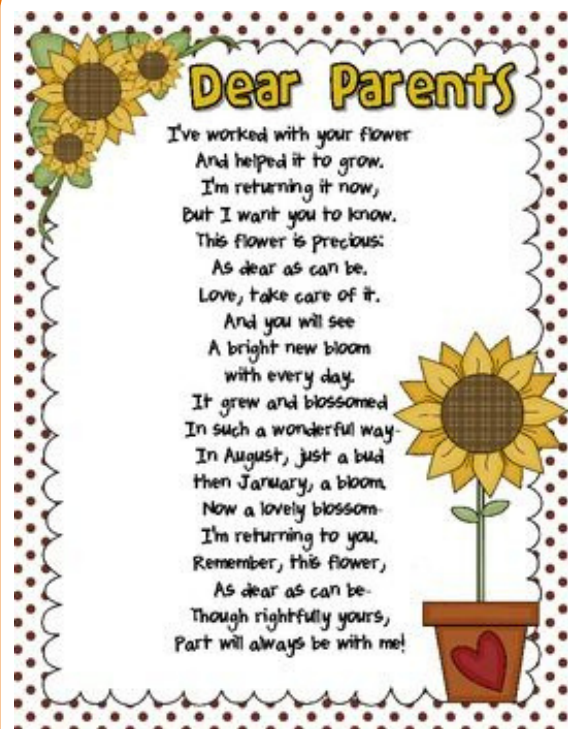
WATER DAY

The end of the school year is always so exciting and full of fun stuff! Students who qualified for our 4th quarter incentive will be able to join us for a water day field day on May 19th!

NWEA

Our last round of testing is finally among us! Please help your child feel successful the week of May 1st by ensuring they

- get a good night's sleep each night
- eat a nourishing breakfast at home, or come to school ready to eat in the classroom
- get to school on time and ready to learn
- most importantly, come in an a good mood :)



TEACHING YOUR CHILD THIS YEAR HAS BEEN AN HONOR; THE THIRD-GRADE TEAM WILL MISS THEM!



4th Grade News

Mrs. Lewis, Mrs. Vazquez, Ms. Vail

Reading

In reading, the students are learning about how to manage money. In Using Money, they learn the differences between a debit and credit card, interest rates, and reasons to save money in a savings account.



Writing

The students are writing narrative stories including a problem and solution. They also have been writing about a small business and including dialogue with characters interacting in their small business.



Upcoming Events

May 1st-4th NWEA Tests
May 10th-Early Release
May 19th-4th Quarter Incentive
May 24th-Last day of School

World Fair

World Fair is coming May 4th from 4:00-6:00 p.m. The students are excited to present about their projects.

Math and NWEA Testing

In math, we are reviewing concepts from this year so the students feel successful on the NWEA test they will take the week of May 1st.

Thank you for a wonderful year!

We really appreciated all you did to make this school year go smooth! Thank you! :)

Thank You





5TH GRADE NEWS



GENERAL UPDATES AND REMINDERS



Our annual EFGA World's Fair is coming up! Your child has spent this year becoming an expert in their grade level's hallway continent and now they'll get the chance to show what they know! Please join us for a night of cultural immersion on Thursday, May 4th, 2023 from 4-6 pm as your child has the opportunity to not only show what they know but also experience other cultures from around the world by touring all of our hallways, popping into the library for skits on Spanish and Mandarin culture and stopping by the basketball courts for some worldly sports play! Feel free to stick around and check out our middle school band concert as well!

- April 24th -28th Spirit Week
- May 1st-May 4th NWEA testing
- Thursday, May 4th-EFGA World Fair from 4-6pm



ELA/S.S. NEWS

We're finishing our opinion writing on who's conflict was worse from our sci fi story about a school exchange program between lunar students and kids from our planet.



SCIENCE NEWS

This week we have our school wide Science Fair for 5-8th grade. Students will be conducting a study on how to solve a world problem. Students have been bringing in some amazing work!

MATH NEWS

Students have learning customary units and will now take a look at the metric system. When finished with this chapter, we will begin our chapter on Geometry, which will be the last chapter in the book.

LIBRARY NEWS

New Arizona Legislature and how it affects you, your student and our library.

In 2022 two new laws were passed that will give parents more information and a voice about the type of reading material their student(s) has access to.

House Bill 2439 states that each library shall have a list of all newly purchased books made available for public review for 60 days. The school will also give parents 7 days notice of the review period dates. EFGA's list will be viewable on Destiny Discover Monday May 8, 2023-Friday June 23, 2023

House Bill 2495 is a ban on the use or reference of sexually explicit material without written parental consent in Arizona schools. The law requires schools to get parental approval to teach books or other material that make references to sex. Aside from the obvious definition, some also relate sexual content with LGBTQIA topics. Please contact Mrs. Schneider with any concerns about available topics in the library. jschneider2@laveeneld.org


OVERDUE BOOKS

What to expect if your child has missing library books.

If your student has lost their library book(s) they will need to be paid for in the front office or replaced with a hardcover book in like-new condition of equal value. If a student's account is unresolved, it may interfere with receiving their final grade report and next school year, they'll have library restrictions in place until the fines are paid or the books are returned.

"Why hardcover" you ask? 95% of our library books are hardcover. Popular paperback books usually have a 2 year shelf life before the damage requires them to be pulled.

Health & Wellness Corner



Wow! Where did this school year go?! With this year quickly coming to an end, that means it's also time to begin thinking about next year already!

The summer break is a great time to make sure your children are up to date on all necessary vaccinations for school. Especially those who recently turned 11 or will be soon. From our district website, "The Arizona Department of Health Services requires that all 11-year-old children obtain two adolescent vaccines, Tdap and Meningococcal (MCV4)..."

It's also a good idea to make sure all of your other students are up to date on their vaccines as well. The following links list all required vaccinations for school in the state of Arizona. You can also ask your child's pediatrician as well.

<https://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/parents/downloads/parent-ver-sch-0-6yrs.pdf>

<https://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/schedules/downloads/teen/parent-version-schedule-7-18yrs.pdf>

If you don't have a pediatrician or they don't have availability, the county of Maricopa can help! Call the Cares Team at 602-506-6767 or go to: <https://www.maricopa.gov/1805/Child-Immunizations> for more information.

May 2023

MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT	SUN
1	2	3 PTA Meeting at 6p.m.	4 World Fair 4-6p.m.	5 School Lunch Hero Day!	6	7
8	9	10 Early Release at 12p.m.	11	12	13	14 <i>Mother's Day</i>
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
22	23	24 Last Day of School	25	26 School Office Closed	27	28
29 <i>Memorial Day</i>	30	31				

**SCHOOL OFFICE SUMMER HOURS
MONDAY - THURSDAY
8:00A.M. TO 4:00P.M.**