



Estrella Foothills Global Academy

OCTOBER NEWSLETTER

Wow! we have had a wonderful first quarter! Thank you for making this a great start to the school year and we look forward to continuing to partner with you to ensure your child is receiving a world-class education as IB learners.

I am also excited to announce that Estrella Foothills Global Academy earned the 2022-2023 AZPBIS Achievement Award for our dedication and commitment to implementing Positive Behavior Interventions and Support (PBIS) to improve academic outcomes and support the well-being of staff, students, families, and the community.

This award recognizes the dedication of school staff and our community to uphold our school expectations every day of being: Solution-Driven, Tolerant, Inquirers, Negotiators, and Global Learners. Together, we are building a school culture that is more positive, proactive, and supportive for all our students so that they can be successful citizens and leaders of our nation.

Our AZPBIS Award will proudly be displayed in our school office and on our website. Estrella Foothills is committed to excellence and providing a world-class education for every student!

Kind Regards,

**Ms. Erin Lebish
Principal**





HEALTH & WELLNESS CORNER

ALTHOUGH WE'RE EXCITED ABOUT THE SLIGHTLY COOLER TEMPS, THAT ALSO MEANS COLD AND FLU SEASON IS RIGHT AROUND THE CORNER! THIS SHOULD SERVE AS A GREAT REMINDER TO MAKE SURE YOUR STUDENT'S VACCINATIONS ARE ALL UP TO DATE. WE CAN ALSO FOLLOW THESE TIPS FROM THE CDC TO TRY TO KEEP OURSELVES, OUR FAMILIES, AND OUR FRIENDS HEALTHY.

- IF YOU ARE SICK, LIMIT CONTACT WITH OTHERS AS MUCH AS POSSIBLE TO KEEP FROM INFECTING THEM.
- COVER COUGHS AND SNEEZES.
- COVER YOUR NOSE AND MOUTH WITH A TISSUE WHEN YOU COUGH OR SNEEZE. THROW THE TISSUE IN THE TRASH AFTER YOU USE IT.
- WASH YOUR HANDS OFTEN WITH SOAP AND WATER. IF SOAP AND WATER ARE NOT AVAILABLE, USE AN ALCOHOL-BASED HAND RUB.
- AVOID TOUCHING YOUR EYES, NOSE, AND MOUTH. GERMS SPREAD THIS WAY.
- CLEAN AND DISINFECT SURFACES AND OBJECTS THAT MAY BE CONTAMINATED WITH VIRUSES THAT CAUSE FLU.
- FOR FLU, CDC RECOMMENDS THAT PEOPLE STAY HOME FOR AT LEAST 24 HOURS AFTER THEIR FEVER IS GONE EXCEPT TO GET MEDICAL CARE OR OTHER NECESSITIES. FEVER SHOULD BE GONE WITHOUT THE NEED TO USE A FEVER-REDUCING MEDICINE.

October News

DEVELOPEMENTAL PREK

LAST MONTH WE HAD SO MUCH FUN LEARNING ABOUT CIRCLE, YELLOW AND ALL ABOUT ME! WE ALSO VISITED THE CHILDREN'S MUSEUM FOR A FUN COMMUNITY BUILDING EVENT!



THIS UPCOMING MONTH WE WILL BE LEARNING ABOUT THE COLOR RED, THE SHAPE TRIANGLE AND THE THEME ON THE GO! WE WILL HAVE VISITORS FROM THE FIRE DEPARTMENT, CITY BUS AND ALSO HAVE A PUMPKIN PATCH AT THE END OF THE MONTH!





Kindergarten

NEWSLETTER

READING
WE WILL BE
WORKING ON
LISTENING TO A
STORY, USING
PICTURES TO
SEQUENCE THE
EVENTS, AND
RETELLING THE
STORY TO A
PARTNER.

MATH
WE WILL BE
WORKING ON
THE TEEN
NUMBERS
ALONG WITH
PLACE VALUE.

**THANK
YOU**
THANK YOU
FOR ALL
THE
DONATIONS
THAT HAVE
BEEN
PROVIDED IN
SUPPORTING
OUR
TRAVELING
FRIDAYS!
THANK YOU TO
THOSE WHO
WERE ABLE TO
ATTEND
CURRICULUM
NIGHT.

SCIENCE
WE WILL BE
CONTINUING
LEARNING
ABOUT THE
SEASONS AND
WEATHER
DATA.

**WE WILL
TALK AND
LEARN ABOUT
VETERANS
DAY AND
WHY WE
CELEBRATE**

**IN WRITING
WE WILL DO
ALL ABOUT
ME WRITINGS
TO SHARE
MORE ABOUT
OURSELVES**





FIRST GRADE NEWS

*Mrs. Escobar, Mrs. Pierson,
Mrs. Raymond, Mrs. Rodriguez*

READING:

IN OUR ELA BLOCK WE ARE GOING TO START EXPLORING A NEW UNIT WHICH INCLUDES STORIES SUCH AS FAR FROM HOME AND A NON FICTION STORY, SCHOOLS AROUND THE WORLD. BOTH OF THESE STORIES REALLY ENCOURAGE OUR STUDENTS BE GLOBAL LEARNERS AS WE EXPLORE DIFFERENT CULTURES.

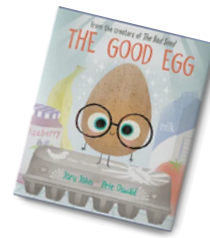
MATH:

FOR OUR MATH, WE ARE MOVING ON TO OUR PLACE VALUE CHAPTER. THIS CHAPTER WILL SUPPORT DEVELOPING ADDITION AND SUBTRACTION SKILL. IXL IS AN ONLINE PROGRAM WHICH WILL BE INTRODUCED TO THE STUDENTS. THIS WILL PROVIDE AN ADDITION RESOURCE FOR STUDENTS TO USE AT HOME AS WELL AS IN THE CLASSROOM.

STING PRACTICE:

AFTER WE COME BACK FROM FALL BREAK WE ARE GOING TO REVISIT OUR STING EXPECTATIONS. THROUGHOUT OUR FIRST WEEK BACK WE WILL BE READING STORIES BY JORY JOHN.

JORY JOHN STORIES INCLUDE THE GOOD EGG, BAD SEED, SMART COOKIE AND MANY MORE.





Second Grade Newsletter

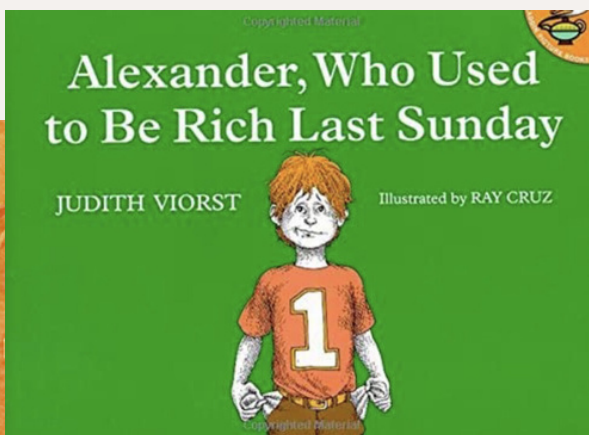
OCTOBER 2023

ELA: In ELA Acceleration, students have been rotating between classes to focus on their level on the Phonic Screener. We are so excited that students are leveling up! Students are also reading *Alexander Who Used to Be Rich Last Sunday*.

Math: Second Grade is learning how to add double digit numbers with regrouping. This is an essential skill to have, so we are also using IXL for additional practice.

Social Studies: We are learning about the past and how things have changed over time. We are also investigating on why people move and how they bring their culture with them.

Science: We are learning about landforms and bodies of water. Some students even got to make their own landforms out of soil, play-doh, or kinetic sand!





Third Grade Newsletter

OCTOBER

Mrs. Kanode - Mrs. Sakkas - Ms. Conley

READING

October has us reading a brand new informational text called *The Moon Seems to Change*. We'll focus on key details and main idea, as well as cause and effect and understanding why things happen in nature.

WRITING

We're wrapping up our narrative unit and proving we know the elements of a good narrative with our PBA. Then, we get to begin working through all of the elements of a strong informational text!

MATH

It's official! Once we finish our subtraction unit we're hitting the big time with MULTIPLICATION! We work really hard to first build our conceptual understanding, thinking more about the "why", not the "what" behind multiplication. You'll see your child practicing things like making equal groups and repeated addition. These might feel like baby steps but they are the foundation of multiplication and will not only support your students' fact fluency, but also their math success in third grade and beyond!

SCIENCE

This unit we're exploring magnetic forces and understand how they work!

THANK YOU!

We had a great turnout at curriculum night! Your participation and partnership in your child's education is the number one factor in ensuring their academic success.

Enjoy a well deserved fall break !

SOCIAL STUDIES

We will be working on understanding Native American culture and history.



4th Grade Newsletter

Mrs. Lewis, Mrs. Vazquez, Mrs. Carter, Mrs. Cortez



Reading

The students are learning how to analyze text features to better understand what the author says in the text. They are understanding that the main idea of a passage has to have strong supporting details to support it.

Math

In math, they are multiplying 2 digit by 1 digit numbers using arrays, area models, and standard algorithm strategies.

Writing

In writing, students are writing informational paragraphs that includes a topic sentence, supporting details, and closing sentence.

Social Studies

In Social Studies, the student are learning about Native American groups and comparing and contrasting them.

Science

The students are learning about the speed and motion and how objects get energy to move.

Thank you!

Thank you to everyone who attended Curriculum Night!





5th grade update

math:

We are working on place value, prime factorization and multiplying 2 digit by 1 digit numbers and 2 digit by 2 digit using an area model

Science:

We are working on mixtures and solutions. Also writing a paragraph to record their results

Reading:

We are working on our vocabulary words, using context clues, grammar and writing summaries about the rainforest.

History:

We are learning about famous American landmarks and their location. After Fall Break we will taking an in-depth look at the Constitution, Bill of Rights, amendments, and branches of government.

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6TH GRADE

ELA

Informative Essay Writing
Identifying central idea and
themes

Social Studies

Themes of World History
World Religions

Math

- Integers & Rational Numbers
- Absolute Value
- Coordinate Plane

Science

- Flow of energy in and out of ecosystems
- Working on dissections of owl pellets to support our learning of food webs

Seventh Grade

LANGUAGE AND LITERATURE

Burnap and Grant's Seventh Graders have been hard at work with our nonfiction text *Flesh and Blood So Cheap!*

MATHEMATICS

Fortier and Hensarling have been working with students on percentages, proportions and have finishes another chapter.

INDIVIDUALS IN SOCIETIES

Burnap and Swafford and their students have made it through European history starting with Eurasia and through the Renaissance.

SCIENCE

Williams and Hensarling are working with their students on life science from cells to now preparing for dissections.

Eighth Grade

LANGUAGE AND LITERATURE

Grant and Burnap have been reading and studying *The Outsiders* with the eighth grade students!

MATHEMATICS

Fortier and Hensarling have been working with students on scientific notation, cube roots, and two step equations.

INDIVIDUALS IN SOCIETIES

Burnap and Swafford and their students have made it through the roots of the American government and the American Revolution.

SCIENCE

Williams and Hensarling are working with their students on life science, natural selection, and are preparing for dissections.



October



SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1	2 	3	4	5 Early Release at 12:oop.m.	6 Early Release at 12:oop.m.	7
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
<i>No School - Fall Break</i>						
15	16	17	18 Student of the Month Celebration	19	20	21
22	23	24	25 Early Release at 12:oop.m.	26 Fall Picture Retakes 	27 Fall Sports Picture Trunk or Treat at 4:30pm 	28
29	30	31				