

PARENT A GLANCE

Find out what your child is **learning** and how to **help**.

Subject	Reading	Writing	Math	Science	Social Studies
Ideas students are learning	Students will actively engage with text and use their knowledge of story structure to understand what they are reading.	Students will understand that personal narratives are stories from an author's life.	Use place value to communicate about increasingly large whole numbers in verbal and written form, including money.	Investigations are a way to learn about the natural world. Tools, procedures, safety, measurement, and physical systems can be varied.	Students will learn about other communities outside their own community.
Skills	Students will preview and predict, visualize, sequence, identify characters and setting, and summarize.	Students will generate topics, write personal narratives in chronological order, and capitalize and punctuate sentences.	Students use place value to read, write (in symbols and words), and describe the value of whole numbers through 999,999.	Students will collect, analyze, and interpret information. They will also plan, implement, and communicate valid conclusions.	Students will use skills such as note taking, organizing information, and compare/contrast.
Work and assignments to look for	Students will complete summaries, sequence charts, graphic organizers for visualization and character analysis charts.	Students will complete quickwrites, draft stories, and compose a personal narrative.	Use reference materials to find the heights of San Jacinto and 2 other landmarks. Order from least to greatest.	Students will make journal entries, safety posters, tools chart, and give descriptions of a simple system and its parts.	Students will create a KWL chart to show what they have learned about the concept of community.
Questions Parents Can Ask	What do you do to understand what you are reading? What do you know about the character and setting of the story?	What are some things you write about? Will you tell me the story you wrote? Will you read one of your stories to me?	How old are you? How old is your sister, brother, mom and/or dad? Put their ages in order from least to greatest?	What tools and techniques work best for measuring? What units are used in the metric system? What is a simple system?	Name 3 leadership roles in a community.
Special Notes	Your child will take a curriculum based assessment that will test the skills covered during the six weeks.	Your child will be asked to write about something that makes him happy. He will publish a personal narrative.		Practice measurement in the home using correct standard units of measurement to help student application of the metric system.	Take a field trip with your student to the local government offices.

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Subject	Art	Music	Health	Physical Education	
Ideas students are learning	Students will be learning the elements and principles of art through hands-on projects involving line, shape, & form.	Culture Participation Cooperation Compare and Contrast	Students will learn more about proper nutrition and fitness & their impact on the body.	Students will learn dance steps and dances combined with concepts of rhythms.	
Skills	Students will be developing their craftsmanship & manipulation of a variety of materials through drawing .	Singing Moving Playing Instruments		Students will be able to demonstrate mature elements of throwing & striking & how to modify for distance & speed.	
Work and assignments to look for	Your child should be producing art works using line shape, and form with meaningful expression of self, life events, and/or direct observation.	Singing songs and movig to music.	<i>Personal Health and Physical Activity, Nutrition</i> - Family Letters	Whenever possible, work on cardio-vascular strength & endurance by being active after school & on weekends.	
Questions Parents Can Ask	What are line you see everyday? What are shapes you see everyday? What is form?	What is beat? What is rhythm? What is head voice?	What are some ways as a family we can be more physically active?	Ask you child to demonstrate the "grapevine" step and ask if she or he will teach you how to do it.	
Special Notes	Art is specialized and open-ended. The program allows the art teacher to select different media and will include a variety of projects.	Students are beginning to understand different styles of music.	All concepts taught during your child's weekly health lesson will be reinforced in their PE class.	Students is PE class should wear appropriate shoes and clothing so they will be safe & be able to participate.	