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| <p><i>3rd Grade</i></p> | <p>It's hard to believe that we are already in the 2nd Quarter of this school year! Third graders have been doing all things multiplication! They have been working hard with learning their multiplication facts and also different strategies, rules, and properties that help them be great mathematicians!</p> <div style="display: flex; flex-wrap: wrap; justify-content: space-around;">     </div> |
| <p><i>4th Grade</i></p> | <p>In math, we are wrapping up all things: multiplication and are moving into division. Please make sure your child is practicing their multiplication and division facts. For ELA, we just finished all of our comprehension strategies: inference, predicting, theme, etc. Moving forward, we will be working on point of view and nonfiction text features. In writing, students are working through the writing process. We wrapped up our unit of science: plant and animal adaptations and the human body. We will be moving into sound, light, and coding.</p> |
| <p><i>5th Grade</i></p> | <p>There are a variety of exciting and engaging experiences awaiting the 5th grade class of 2021-2022! Our math curriculum focuses on the real world application of concepts, including lots of fractions and decimals. In social studies, we begin the year learning about the first colonies of America through the writing of the US Constitution. Then we head all the way back to ancient Mesopotamia and Egypt to learn about the very beginnings of civilization. In science, we will be learning about matter, stars, Earth's systems, and the dynamics of ecosystems, through a number of hands-on observations and experiments. In ELA we will be fine-tuning the reading and writing strategies we learned in earlier grades to be ready to move forward to middle school.</p> |
| <p><i>Specials (Quarterly)</i></p> | <p>Art (10/28/21) - Kindergarten and First grades will spend the second quarter exploring ways that artists make art about seasons and holidays. We will continue to do both guided projects as well as work independently in centers with themes. Second and Third graders will</p> |

explore art from a variety of different cultures. Fourth and Fifth grades will begin working on their Digital Portfolios. They will be encouraged to try a variety of art mediums while working with the themes of emotion (4th) and changemakers (5th).

PE/Health (10/29/21) - In PE students just finished up their soccer unit with many great games in tournament play. We will be transitioning to our tumbling unit starting next week. During this time students will learn various skills and stunts, eventually creating a choreographed routine with classmates.

In health class students just finished up fire safety week. Students learned about ways to be safe, evacuate home/school, and many other emergency strategies. We are now talking about nutrition (my plate, food groups, food labels, and calories).

Music (9/10/21) - The students have done a great job transitioning back to the music room. We have been working hard learning how to play instruments and how to clean them or where to place the used instruments. Grades 3, 4, 5, have been working on drumming and bar instruments along with challenging body percussion. Grades K, 1, and 2 have been learning songs and movement and are beginning to play instruments and learn about rhythm and steady beat.

The 1st graders have done a great job learning about *Tempo* (different speeds) in music. Ask one of the 1st graders what speed or tempo they can identify when they hear a song on the radio. They are good at identifying *Presto, Andante, and Largo*.

Songs we are working on: K=Grizzly Bear; 1st=Willum Had 7 Sons; 2nd=Queen Queen Caroline (poem); 3rd=Sailor, Sailor; 4th=Old Brass Wagon; and 5th=Everybody Loves Saturday Night.

We hope to have Music programs this year. More information to come!