



ASTUMBO ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

Butterfly Chronicle

MARCH 2024

GDOE MISSION STATEMENT:

Our educational community... prepares all students for life, promotes excellence, and provides support.

GDOE VISION STATEMENT:

Every student responsible, respectful, and ready for life.

SCHOOL MISSION STATEMENT:

"To give our students the opportunity to learn, promote academic and social skills, and to provide support to become responsible and productive citizens."


SCHOOL LEARNER OUTCOMES (SLOS):

A - Academic Achievers
T - Technology Literate Team Builders
E - Empathetic Citizens
S - Socially Responsible Citizens

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Dear Parents/Guardians,

BIBA MES CHAMORU! The theme this year is "Singkuenta Años... Adahi i Hinengge-ta, Abiba i Kotturâ-ta, Prutehi i Lenguahi-ta" which means "Fifty years... Take care of our Values, Encourage our Culture, Protect our Language" This month is a dedication to our island's native people, their culture, history and heritage that our students will experience, learn, and observe during the classroom activities planned throughout the month. Such activities aim to teach everyone about values and respect for everything Guam - everything Chamorro. Please refer to our March Chamorro Month Calendar to help encourage your child/children to support the month long activities.

In addition, On Monday, March 4, 2024 will be "Guam History and Chamorro Heritage" day. It will be a holiday to dedicate the commemoration of our islands history, culture and heritage. Please take this time with your family to reflect on our islands Chamorro history culture and our heritage. Biba Lina 'la Chamorro!

On another note, we are always working very hard to teach appropriate acts and safe play through our PBIS (Positive Behavior Intervention and Supports) program. Through PBIS, we teach, model, and support positive behavior for all our students and staff everywhere in the school. Therefore, please support the school by talking to your child/ren daily and reinforcing our school-wide rules/behavior expectations, which are to 1. Be Respectful 2. Be Responsible 3. Be Safe. These positive behaviors are important and should be applied at all times, on and off campus.

Let us continue to work together in our shared responsibility for learning by also reviewing your child's work, helping with organization and checking their planners daily, communicating with teachers to discuss ways to improve achievement and behavior, always providing encouragement for work well done, and emphasizing on the love and importance for reading. Together we will succeed!

A MESSAGE FROM OUR PRINCIPAL

Mrs. Josephine Parel-Fontbuena



SAFETY FIRST

We are committed to the continuity of learning for our students therefore protecting the health and safety of our students and families, and employees is a priority. With that said, we need to make necessary adjustments on how we will educate our students and the need to follow certain health and safety guidelines.

Student Arrival

School Gates open at 7:15am for students. Students are not allowed on campus before 7:15am. Students have an option to wear a face mask/covering upon entry into the school campus. We would like to inform our parents/guardians that Astumbo Elementary is enforcing a “**DROP and GO**” morning Drop Off procedure.

Office Hours/Meetings/ Request for School Documents

Main Office Hours will be from 8:30am to 2:00pm. Only two (2) visitors are allowed in the main office lobby. Please ring the doorbell for assistance. All visitor(s) or Parent/Guardian meetings will be by appointment only to address any concerns or to request for school documents/withdrawals/registration or unless arranged by the school administrator or office staff.

Visitors

Please be aware that as per GDOE policy, all visitors are required to sign in at the main office. Please note that “Any person found on school campus without permission from the principal shall be guilty of a misdemeanor”. Government Code of Guam, Section 11503. This is to ensure protection and safety of our faculty/staff and students on campus.

Visitors will be entertained from 8:30am to 2:00pm. Visitors will not be entertained during student arrivals and dismissals to avoid congestion. All visitors will adhere to the following guidelines:

- * Wearing a face mask/ covering is optional upon entry into the school campus.
- * All visitors are required to check into the main gate with the Gate keeper.

Front and Back Gate Walkers

Front and back gate opens at 7:15am and closes at 8:15am. Student(s) are to wait at the front/back walker gate until a staff opens the gate. Face mask covering is optional.

Dismissal

Please take note that dismissal is at 2:43pm, once all the buses leave the campus, to minimize the exposure on campus, parents will not be allowed to enter the campus to pick up their children. We ask that you wait by the front/back gate as your child is escorted to the designated gate. Please keep the 6ft physical distancing. On rainy days, please be prepared to bring an umbrella or raincoat when you pick up your child/children. There may be a delay in releasing your children as we wait for the rain to subside.

For walkers and student pick-up, both the main walker's entrance gate and the main gate will close at 2:00pm, and will re-open at 2:43pm.

For the safety of everyone, your continued support and cooperation in adhering with the drop-off and dismissal procedures is greatly appreciated. We also ask for your patience, as we think of the safety of everyone.



MARCH



SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
					1	2
3	4 HOLIDAY CHamoru Heritage Day	5 Mes CHamoru Opening Wear Islandwear	6	7	8	9
10	11	12	13	14	15 Mes CHamoru Carnival	16
17	18	19	20	21 PTO Meeting @5:30PM in the cafeteria	22 2024 Rai and Raina Coronation	23
24	25	26	27	28	29	30
	MARCH 25—MARCH 29 : SPRING BREAK—NO CLASSES					
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Checklist Before Heading to School for Face to Face Learning

- ☒ 1. Temperature Check: Do a temperature check and visual symptoms screening.
- ☒ 2. Face Mask: Please ensure your child has a face mask before leaving the house. (Highly encouraged)
- ☒ 3. Hand Sanitizer: Please label and have your child carry their personal hand sanitizer for their use only.

Important:

- ☒ Please communicate with your child's teachers regularly.
- ☒ Please inform your child's teacher if any personal info has changed (telephone number, home address, etc.)
- ☒ If your child's mode of transportation changes temporarily or permanently, please provide a note to your child's teacher. Phone calls will not be granted.

SAMPLE EXCUSE NOTE

Date: _____

To whom it may concern:

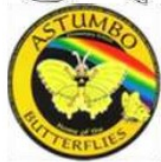
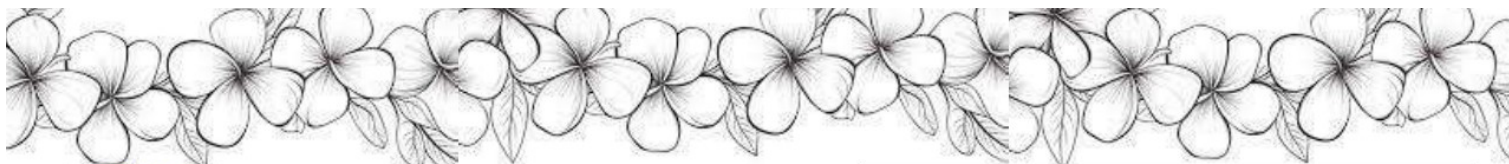
Please excuse my daughter/son _____ for not attending school
(student name)

on _____ He/she was _____ Please call me at
(date(s) of absence) (reason for absence)

_____ if you have any questions.
(working & valid contact number)

Thank you,

(print name & signature of parent/guardian)



March 2023

Tema:

(Singkuent Años..Adahi i Hinengge-ta, Abiba i Kotturå-ta, Prutehi i Lengguåhi-ta)

Theme:

(Fifty Years... Take Care of our Beliefs, Encourage our Culture, Protect our Language)

THEME DAYS

Lunes:

(Monday:

Modan Isla

Island wear)



Måttes:

(Tuesday:

Usa Flores

Use a flower)



Metkoles:

(Wednesday:

Usa kadena

use a shell necklace or lei)



Huebes:

(Thursday:

Ha'änen Palåbran CHamoru

Tape a CHamoru word on your shirt)



Betnes:

(Friday:

Modan Isla

Wear Islandwear)



***Follow the theme for everyday with the exception of 03/05 (Opening Ceremony). Please wear islandwear.**

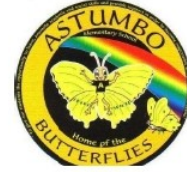
Damenggo	Lunes	Måttes	Metkoles	Huebes	Betnes	Såbalu
					1 Baila/Kånta (Dance/Song)	2 Tinanña Fina'tinas (Food tasting) Agaña Shopping Center (3pm)
3 Santa Misa yan Na'iaotao Tumano' Eucharistic Celebration and CHamoru Fiesta Style - Potluck (Santa Teresita Catholic Church 10:00am)	4 Guam History and CHamoru Heritage Day (No Classes)	5 Mababan Mes CHamoru (Mes CHamoru Opening)	6	7	8 Baila/Kånta (Dance/Song)	9 Finattan CHamoru CHamoru Class/School Showcase Agaña Shopping Center (10:30am)
10	11 Måmfok (Weaving/Primary)	12 Måmfok (Weaving/Intermediate)	13	14	15 Mes CHamoru Carnival (9-11 and 1-2:30)	16
17	18 Fina'tinas Nengkanno' (Cooking demonstration /Primary)	19 Fina'tinas Nengkanno' (Cooking demonstration /Intermediate)	20	21 Faculty and Staff CHamoru Fiesta	22 Mahuchom Mes CHamoru/ Rai and Raina (Closing of Mes CHamoru/ Rai and Raina Coronation)	23
24	25 Bakasion Påsgua (Easter Break)	26 Bakasion Påsgua (Easter Break)	27 Bakasion Påsgua (Easter Break)	28 Bakasion Påsgua (Easter Break)	29 Bakasion Påsgua (Easter Break)	30
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Astumbo Head Start Newsletter



MARCH 2024



Dear Parents,

As you know our next study for March is Camera.

Why study camera?

In this study, children will move from being the subjects of pictures and videos to engaging with cameras as photographers and videographers. During the investigations, the children will explore the variety of questions and concepts through experiences that support all areas of development and learning. They will learn to use a variety of cameras to take pictures and videos and conduct experiments to discover strategies for taking a good picture, including how to ensure that a picture is in focus, captures what they intended, and has enough light.

Listed are the focus questions for our month's learning theme:

1. What different type of camera's are there? How do we use camera?
2. What can we do with camera?
3. How do people use cameras for work and play?
4. What can we make with camera?

If you have any suggestions activities for camera study, feel free to message us.

-Mrs. Moody, Ms. Roshelle



Focus Objectives of the Month

- Letters & Sounds: Aa-Zz
- Identifying numbers: 11-20
- Counting 1-50
- 3D-Shapes: cylinder, cone, cube, sphere etc.
- Practice writing full name, letters, numbers and words related to camera study
- Practice cutting

Important Dates to Remember:

- March 4th: Guam History & Chamorro Heritage Day (Holiday)
- March 5th: Monthly CLPG Meeting
- March 8th: GHSPC Meeting
- March 5-8th: Guam Follow UP Review
- March 15th: Mes Chamoru Carnival
- March 22nd: Egg Hunt Activities Fieldtrip
- March 25-29: Intercession (No CLASS-Spring Break)

Happy Birthday to:
Amelia Sabas-March 7
Ms. Q-March 16

Family Project!





Dear Parents/Guardians!

Please continue to practice these kindergarten skills throughout the remainder of the school year, with your child.

ELA

- Spell first and last name orally, capitalizing the first letters.
- Recognize and write first and last name using proper spacing.
- Recognize all upper and lower case letters of the alphabet.

Aa Bb Cc Dd Ee Ff Gg Hh Ii Jj Kk Ll Mm Nn Oo Pp Qq Rr Ss Tt Uu Vv Ww Xx Yy Zz

- Review all letter sounds.

a b c d e f g h i j k l m n o p q r s t u v w x y z sh oo ee ch th ng

- 25 sight words.

I can the we see a like to and go you do my
are he with is she was for have of they this has

- Review Beginning, middle and ending sounds for CVC (Consonant Vowel Consonant) words.

Ex: cat, hat, bat

- Review Rhyming words. (Words that have the same ending sound) Bat-Cat, Bad-Sad, Box-Fox, Hug-Rug. Etc.

MATH

- Recognize, oral count and write numbers up to 100.

0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30
31 32 33 34 35 36 37 38 39 40 41 42 43 44 45 46 47 48 49 50 51 52 53 54 55 56 57 58 59
60 61 62 63 64 65 66 67 68 69 70 71 72 73 74 75 76 77 78 79 80 81 82 83 84 85 86 87 88
89 90 91 92 93 94 95 96 97 98 99 100

- Oral counting by 2's, 5's and 10's to 100.

- 2-D and 3-D shapes. Circle, Triangle, Square, Cube, Cone, Sphere etc.

- Addition and subtraction.

$$1 + 5 = 6 \quad 5 - 6 = 1$$


- More and Less

Reminders:

- Review, complete and submit all homework in a timely manner.
- Provide excuse notes for all absences.
- Communicate any transportation changes to your child's teacher.
- Provide water/water bottle and snacks every day.
- Bring your backpacks to school every day.

* Thank you parents, for all your continued support and cooperation.

The Kindergarten Team



1st Grade News

Biba Mes Chamorro

Join the Fun: March Carnival and Donation Drive!

Dear Parents/Guardians,

🌸 Greetings! 🌸

As we step into the joyous month of March, our 1st-grade class is thrilled to celebrate "Mes Chamorro" with an exciting school carnival! We invite you and your little ones to join the fun and make this event memorable.

🌟 **Carnival Extravaganza:**

Get ready for a day filled with laughter, games, and delightful surprises! Our school carnival promises to be an amazing celebration of the season.

🌟 **Fundraising for Festivities:**

To ensure the success of our end-of-celebration festivities, we need your support. This year, the 1st-grade team is organizing a donation drive and kindly asking for contributions. We are seeking donations of plastic goodie bags, chips, lollipops, and CapriSun.

🌟 **How You Can Help:**

Your generosity will go a long way in making our 1st-grade game booths even more exciting. Please consider donating any of the following items to contribute to the success of our carnival:

- Plastic goodie bags
- Chips
- Lollipops
- CapriSun

🌟 **Drop-off Details:**

Feel free to drop off your donations in the main office or with your child's homeroom teacher by **March 8, 2024**. Your support is invaluable, and we appreciate every contribution.

Let's come together as a community to create lasting memories for our little ones and make this carnival a spectacular event!

Thank you for your continued support!

Best regards,

Mr. Hoya, Mrs. Pangelinan & Ms. Cruz
1st Grade Teachers

Standard focus:

- ELA-
RI.1.3-Cause and Effect
RL.1.2 Story Lesson
- Math-
I.MD.A.2-Measurment and data
NBT.A.1-Measurment and data
- Content
-Chamorro Heritage Month

Donations being accepted:



chips



goodie bags



goodie bags



lollipop



Super 2nd Grade



Accolades: Lunch with the Principal!

Congratulations to the following students for great butterfly behavior:

- Rexter Camacho (F103)
- Bailey Santiago (F104)
- Kacee Manlapit (F105)



Lunch with Mrs. Fontbuena was on Feb. 14.

Thank you students, parents, guardians, teachers, and staff for supporting our ice keke and juice sales!



Reminders:

-Uniform Policy is in effect unless your child is participating in Spirit Week or special Spirit Day.

-Excuse notes can be messaged through ClassDojo.

-Attendance is mandatory, therefore your child should be at school on a daily basis and students should be dropped off before 8:15 am to be able to eat breakfast.

-Thank you parents/guardians who continue to communicate with your child's teacher.

Upcoming Mes CHamoru Carnival is on March 15, Friday.

-Pre-sold tickets are available!

-\$1 per ticket

-Tickets will be available on carnival day.



2nd Grade Teachers:

Ms.P. Quindara, Rm.F103, piquindara@gdoe.net

Mrs. J. Santos, Rm.F104, jddsantos@gdoe.net

Mrs. D. Torres, Rm.F105, dbtorres@gdoe.net

Reminders for Students:

-Continue to do your best every day!

-Practice the school rules: Be Safe, Be Respectful, Be Responsible.

-Come to school on time.

-Participate in every lesson.

-Be a wise learner.



Humor: What position does a leprechaun play in baseball?

Answer: SHORT STOP



Terrific 3rd Grade



Tobacco & Vaping Presentation



**Local Author Visit:
Catherine Payne**



**3rd Grade
Lunch with the
Principal**



C-101 on 99math.com

Subject	Skills and I Can Statements
Language Arts	Verbs -I can identify verbs in a sentence.
Reading	Literature/Informational Text -I can ask and answer questions to show I understand the story. -I can determine the main idea of a given text. -I can use language that shows time, sequence, and cause and effect when describing a text.
Math	Rounding -I can round numbers to the 10s, 100s, and 1,000s place value. Multiplication -I can skip count by a given number. -I can recite multiplication facts.
Science	Ecosystems (Animals) -I can make a claim about the merit of a solution to a problem caused when the environment changes and the types of plants and animals that live here may change.
Health	Nutrition -I can make healthy dietary and lifestyle choices.
Social Studies	Maps -I can identify the parts of a map. -I can find locations on a map using a map grid. -I can name cardinal and intermediate directions. -I can use a map key. -I can identify the 7 continents and 5 oceans. Citizenship -I can describe the importance of voting for community leaders.



**National School
Counselor's Week**



**3rd Grade
100th Day
Activities**



**C-102 Social
Skills Lesson
with Mrs.
Comia**



**Valentine's Day
Card Exchange with 1st Grade**

Please keep updated with information about school events through our website or Instagram.

Friendly reminders:

- Please join Class Dojo to communicate with your child's teacher. Thank you to all those who are connected!
- Make reading a part of your daily routine.
- Practice your math facts and sight words daily.
- If your child is absent, make sure he/she brings in an excuse note upon their return (3 or more consecutive absences require a doctor's note).
- Provide current and updated contact numbers.
- If you have any questions for your child's teacher, please call or email:
 - Ms. Villanueva, C-101, prvillanueva@gdoe.net
 - Ms. Flores, C-102, miflores@gdoe.net
 - Mrs. Leon-Guerrero, C-103, lhleonguerrero@gdoe.net



Your assistance is needed!

We are humbly seeking donations for our upcoming events:

1. We are having a Mes CHamoru Carnival on March 15, 2024. Your child brought home a letter last week detailing the items we are requesting. We are accepting donations of snacks/drinks as well as items that can be used for prizes.
2. We are planning to host a grade level egg hunt on March 21, 2024. We are kindly asking for donations of plastic eggs and small non-edible items for filling.

For more information, please contact your child's homeroom teacher. Thank you so much for your continued support!

SY2023-2024 4th Grade

Hafa Adai FAB4th!



TARGET SKILLS

Math 4.NBT.5 I can multiply a whole number up to four digits by a one-digit whole number, and multiply two two-digit numbers using strategies based on place value and the properties of operations.

Reading 4.RI.2 I can determine the main idea of a text and explain how it is supported by key details.

English Language Arts (ELA) 4.L.1 I can demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English grammar and usage when speaking or writing.

4.L.1.e I can form and use prepositional phrases.

Guam History 4.SS.2.11 Discuss the impact of the Japanese Occupation on Guam.

Science 4-ESS3-1 I can describe how energy and fuels come from natural resources and how their uses affect the environment.

FRIENDLY REMINDERS

- ★ Stay up-to-date and connected on ClassDojo!
→ View announcements, reminders, photos, and communicate with your child's teacher.
- ★ Come to school prepared on a daily basis.
- ★ Read daily and practice your math facts.
- ★ Be a socially responsible citizen by completing all of your assignments and homework.
- ★ Parents, review and sign your child's planner daily.
- ★ If you have any questions and/or concerns, kindly contact your respective FAB4th teacher.

D101 Mrs. Padilla	lgpadilla@gdoe.net	635-4363 ext. 6945
D102 Mrs. Conner	mmconner@gdoe.net	635-4363 ext. 6946
D103 Mr. Paet	sdpaet@gdoe.net	635-4363 ext. 6947

HAPPY BIRTHDAY MARCH BABIES!

2 Tyler Reyes 17 Myisa Todorov
12 Koilyn Cepeda 25 Greery Cruz
13 Ciara Lucena 28 Dave Elson
29 Sharaya Margeson



Congratulations on making PERFECT, butterflies!

Keep up the great work in coming to class on or before 8:30am.

THANK YOU parents/guardians for your partnership!



Butterflies use LEGO Robotics and art materials to show **energy** at work.



*Biba Mes
Chamoru!*



Butterflies enjoy Peer Teaching,
Hands on Activities, and Kahoot.



THANK YOU
Super 2nd butterflies
for the Valentine's
Day Cards! ^_^



Hafa Adai Parents/Guardians, and our Phenomenal 5th Grade Butterflies,

Below are the skills we will be targeting this month.

- **Math** - Division 5.NBT.6 Find whole-number quotients of whole numbers with up to four-digit dividends and two-digit divisors, using strategies based on place value, the properties of operations, and/or the relationship between multiplication and division. Illustrate and explain the calculation by using equations, rectangular arrays, and/or area models.
- **Reading** - CCSS.ELA-LITERACY.RL.5.3 Compare and contrast two or more characters, settings, or events in a story or drama, drawing on specific details in the text (e.g., how characters interact).
- **ELA** -
 - 5.L.5.1.b (verbs) - Form and use the perfect (e.g., *I had walked*; *I have walked*; *I will have walked*) verb tenses.
 - 5.L.5.1.c (verbs) Use verb tense to convey various times, sequences, states, and conditions.
- **Science**: 5-ESS1-2 Represent data in graphical displays to reveal patterns of daily changes in length and direction of shadows.
- **Social Studies**: 5.3.1 Use maps, globes, photographs, pictures, or tablets to locate or recognize parallels of latitude and meridians of longitude.

SAVE THE DATES!

March 1 - Wear Island Wear

March 3 - Islandwide Spelling Bee Competition (GOOD LUCK TO OUR SCHOOL REP SOPHIE GABUTINI!)

March 4 - HOLIDAY - NO CLASSES

March 5 - Wear Islandwear/Mes CHamoru Opening Ceremony @ 9am

March 8 - Wear Island Wear

March 8 - 5th Grade Parent Meeting @ 5pm @ ATEs Cafeteria (**5TH GRADE PROMOTION**)

March 15 - Wear Island Wear/Mes CHamoru Carnival

March 22 - Wear Island Wear/Mes CHamoru Closing Ceremony/Rai & Raina Coronation @ 9am

March 25 to March 29 - SPRING BREAK - NO CLASSES

Reminders

★ Stay connected and join us on ClassDojo!

★ Read daily and practice your math facts.

★ Contact your respective 5th grade teacher if you have any questions and/or concerns.

E103 Mr. Mark Villones

Phone: 635-4363 ext. 6951

email: mgvillones@gdoe.net

E104 Mrs. Christina Pestanas

Phone: 635-4363 ext. 6952

email: cdrpestanas@gdoe.net

E106 Mrs. Jeanalyn Benavente

Phone: 635-4363 ext. 6954

email: jqbenavente@gdoe.net

MARCH Birthday Celebrants

E103

Brandon Alifios 3/11

E104

Raine Calilung 3/1

E106

Sharlene Pascua 3/14

5th graders in action!

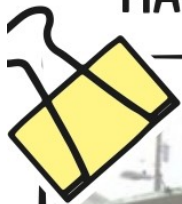


LIBRARY CORNER

MARCH 2024



[SITES.GOOGLE.COM/GDOE.NET/ATESLIBRARY](https://sites.google.com/gdoe.net/ateslibrary)



Biba Mes CHamoru!

Check out what the Guam Public Library has to offer over spring break. Head on over to the Dededo Library or the Hagatna Library and sign up for a FREE library card.

Contact Guam Public Library for location and hours or visit their website:

Hagatna Public Library (671)475-4751

Dededo Public Library (671)632-5503

gpls.guam.gov



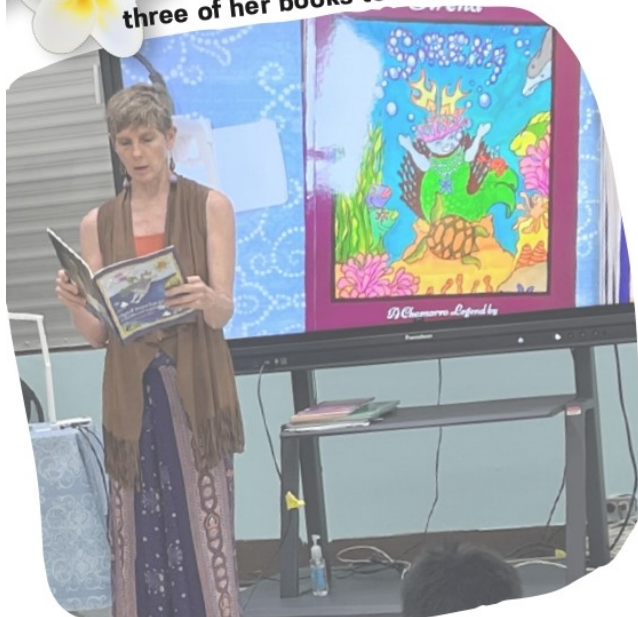
Catherine Payne visited the library on February 5. The local author read aloud two of her books to third-grade.



February Makerspace



Local artist and author Dawn Lees Reyes visited on February 26. She read aloud three of her books to fourth-graders.



LIBRARY RESOURCES

Learn something new from home!

Library Website:

sites.google.com/gdoe.net/ateslibrary

BrainPOP:

brainpop.com

username: ateslibrary password: Access1!

EBSCO:

search.ebscohost.com

username: astumboes

password: ATES2023!

EPIC: Available Mon-Fri during school hours

getepic.com/students

class code: juz4844

Guam Public Library: Visit the Hagatna or Dededo Branch to sign up for a free library card!

GATE

MARCH 2024

newsletter



CONGRATULATIONS



Congratulations to Cayden Delos Reyes for achieving 3rd Place in the GATE Math Meet held on Saturday, February 3, 2024. A special mention goes to Jezreel Gonzales, for securing the 23rd position out of 39 participants. The Math Meet is a competition designed for GATE students with exceptional math skills. The contest involves 4th and 5th graders solving math problems tailored to their grade levels' standards.



WELCOME TO GATE!

Welcome Sterling Camacho to our team! We are thrilled to have you as our newest member of the Gifted and Talented Education Program!

THANK YOU

Thank you for supporting our GATE T-shirt fundraiser! The funds raised will contribute to our end-of-year festivities and help replenish essential supplies for our Makerspace in the classroom. T-shirt are anticipated to arrive sometime in March, in time for our GATE Day in April.

WHAT WE'VE BEEN UP TO:

1st & 2nd Grade Update:

In our current lessons, we are finishing up our unit on Earthquakes. We are putting our knowledge into action by utilizing the Lego WeDo kits to construct our personalized earthquake simulator.

3rd Grade Update:

Goodbye simple machines, hello Evo Ozobot! We're diving deep into line coding and gearing up for some OzoBlockly fun! Let the robot adventures begin!

4th Grade Update:

We're putting the finishing touches on our epic Board Game creations and we're buzzing with excitement for our friends to dive into the fun! Get ready for some serious game time!

5th Grade Update:

Wrapping up our Ancient Greece chapter, we're adding a fun twist by creating our own unique versions of Ancient Greek sculptures!



Buffi Burk – 1st & 2nd Grades

Fatima Tibudan – 3rd & 5th Grades

Maria Lourdes Felipe – Coordinator & 4th Grade

Tips for Parents: How to help English Language Learners at Home

1. Interact with your child in your home language

Talk about why things are the way they are in the world (why are the leaves falling etc.) Share stories, fiction, and non-fiction, or sing songs in their home language. Cook with them at home. These activities build background knowledge. Do activities and explain why you are doing them. Like going to the bank together, and modeling fluid conversations in your first language. Create a language-rich environment in the home language. This is crucial for language development.

2. Read together and tell stories in your home language

Ask wh- (what, where, when, why) questions about the stories you read or tell. This builds background knowledge and the ore knowledge they have, the easier it will be for them to understand the concept in English when introduced in school.

3. Watch English Educational Videos and Go to English Learning Websites

PBS has this program called SuperWhy and kids love it. SuperWhy is good site to learn English sounds, and letters and learn to read. A great site is Starfall.com where students can learn the letter sounds and listen to stories. Getepic.com is a website with 40,000 books, audiobooks & learning videos. Here are other 10 free learning websites for kids.

4. Interact with your child in your home language

Play games such as Scrabble and Boggle, HeadsUp or games from your culture is a fun way to interact with yor children while learning a language. Children will build relationships and learn through time spent interacting and playing with others. When you play with your kids it allows you to see things from your child's perspective, so many skills are practiced like; problem-solving skills, reading, social skills and must important having fun together.

5. Support Homework

Even if you don't speak fluent English you can help in different ways. Tell your children the importance of going to school, and reading books. Check their homework daily. It will help children understand the importance of education. If children are having difficulties understanding homework in English, explain concepts in your home language first. Once children understand then work on the homework in English.

Sources: <https://languageadventurist.com/5-tips-how-to-support-ells-at-home/>
<https://wehavekids.com/education/elementary-reading-websites-for-kids>

Between the Lions
Starfall
StoryPlace
Storyline Online
ReadWriteThink
Student Interactives

PBS Reading Games
WordWorld
Storynory
OxfordOWL
ABCya

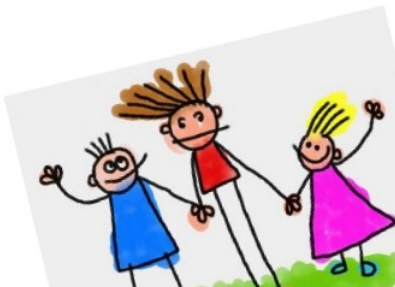


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HERE'S the SCOOP

COUNSELING CONNECTIONS MARCH 2024

LOOK WHAT WE ARE LEARNING

- Wellness Wednesdays – our butterflies K-5th will now learn lessons in Kindness. Topic for this month is : Offer Help. We also continue to promote state of calmness through breathing exercises – “Balloon Breathing”. Breathing in deeply through the nose and out through the mouth.



FRIENDLY REMINDERS

- We are now preparing our 5th graders to their transition to middle school. Pre-orientation for those districted to VSBMS will be held this month.

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EVENTS

- Positive Action Class in partnership with Manelu happening every Tuesdays and Wednesdays weekly.
- We had our Tobacco Prevention Presentation from DPHSS last month with our intermediate students.
- A Big Thank You! For all the cards, sweets and greetings for celebrating the National School Counseling Week last month.

MONDAY

Thank you for completing our survey in February!

We will share results in April

TUESDAY

WEDNESDAY



THURSDAY

FRIDAY

1

Breakfast
Maple Mini Pancakes
Fruit

Lunch
Cheese Pizza
Daily Vegetable
Fruit

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4

No School!

Chamoru Heritage Day

5

Breakfast
Benefit Bar
Fruit & Juice

Lunch
Pork Tacos
Pinto Beans
Daily Fruit

6

Breakfast
French Toast Sticks
Fruit

Lunch
Salisbury Steak
w/ Rice
Daily Vegetable
Fruit

7

Breakfast
Ham & Egg
on a Biscuit
Fruit & Juice

Lunch
Bistek w/ Rice (b)
Daily Vegetable
Fruit

8

Breakfast
Cheese Omelet
w/ Rice
Fruit

Lunch
Breaded Fish Sandwich
Fruit & Vegetable

Our Menus follow USDA guidelines for school nutrition serving a variety of whole grains weekly

11

Breakfast
Cold Cereal
Fruit

Lunch
Breaded Chicken Sandwich
Daily Vegetable
Fruit

12

Breakfast
Sausage (p) w/ Rice
Fruit & Juice

Lunch
Beef Nachos
w/ Cheese Sauce
Black Beans
Daily Fruit

13

Breakfast
Breakfast Pizza (t)
Fruit

Lunch
Orange Chicken
Rice
Caesar Salad
Fruit

14

Breakfast
Breakfast on a Stick (t)
Fruit & Juice

Lunch
Eggless Loco Moco (b)
Rice
Daily Vegetable
Fruit

15

Breakfast
Muffins
Fruit

Lunch
Cheese Pizza
Daily Vegetable
Fruit

Meat types are clarified with a (p) for pork, (t) for turkey, (c) for chicken and (b) for beef

18

Breakfast
Strawberry Stuffed Bagel
Fruit

Lunch
Penne Pasta with
Meat Sauce (b)
Vegetable
Fruit

19

Breakfast
Sausage Breakfast Sandwich (p)
w/ English Muffins
Fruit & Juice

Lunch
Pork Tacos
Pinto Beans
Fruit

20

Breakfast
Fried Rice w/ Ham & Egg (p)
Fruit

Lunch
BBQ Pork Rib Sandwich
Daily Vegetable
Fruit

21

Breakfast
Mini Pancakes
Fruit & Juice

Lunch
Chili w/ Hot Dog (b)
Rice
Daily Vegetable
Fruit

22

Breakfast
Cheese Omelet
Rice
Fruit

Lunch
Cheesy Breadsticks
Marinara
Vegetable & Fruit

Milk is OPTIONAL at Lunch time Only (required at breakfast)

26

NO
SCHOOL

27

SPRING
BREAK

28

SEE YOU
APRIL 1ST
NO FOOLING!



Menus are subject to change due to product availability

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2024 Rai & Raina Reminders

Thursday, March 7: 3rd Counting
3:30 - 4:30pm in the school cafeteria

Thursday, March 14: Final Counting
3:30 - 6:00pm in the school library

Tuesday, March 5, 2024
(Chamoru Month Opening Ceremony)
Introduction of Rai & Raina Candidates

Friday, March 22:
Rai & Raina Coronation