



ASTUMBO ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

Butterfly Chronicle

JANUARY 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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Hafa adai Parents/Guardians,

Happy New Year! We hope all of our families had a wonderful holiday season! As we begin 2024, we are quickly faced with the end of Quarter 2 and Semester 1. Please take note that the scheduled Parent Teacher conference on January 22, 2024 is now a Make-up Day for the class days lost during Typhoon Bolaven. Teachers may be contacting you regarding your child's performance. More information will be forthcoming.

As we look forward to welcoming 2024, let us continue to maintain our focus on our students and accomplish to raise student achievement by strengthening the home and school connection throughout the remainder of the school year. This success is only possible if we "all" intentionally work together. As I quote a Chinese Proverb, "*A journey with a thousand miles must begin with a single step.*" So in moving forward this 2024 school year, let us all remain positive, focused, and take the step on the road to success for all our students.

With that, Astumbo Elementary School Faculty and Staff along with our parents, students, Parent Teacher Organization, GDOE Facilities and Maintenance, and community partners has been preparing for the Public Health Inspections. Our school inspections started the week of December 18, 2023. We are awaiting for the inspection results. We will keep you posted for any further information on this matter.

On another note, Astumbo ES WASC mid-term visit is SY 2024-2025 and we are starting to prepare for this upcoming visit next school year. We are looking for more parent representatives in our Focus Groups to collaborate on how we can improve the quality of your child's education. If interested, please call the school and inform Mrs. Fontbuena. Again, thank you for your continued support. **Wishing you a happy, healthy, and abundant 2024!**



A MESSAGE FROM OUR SCHOOL PRINCIPAL
MRS. JOSEPHINE PAREL - FONTBUENA

HAPPY NEW YEAR

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.



JANUARY 2024


SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	1	2 Classes Resume	3	4	5	6
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
14	15 Martin Luther King, Jr. Day- HOLIDAY : No Classes	16	17	18	19	20
21	22 Tropical Storm Bolaven Make-up Day #1	23	24	25 PTO Meeting 5:30pm in the caf	26	27
	<----- JANUARY 22- 26: GREAT KINDNESS SPIRIT WEEK ----->					
28	29	30	31			

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,

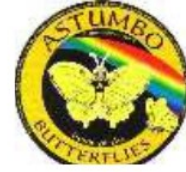
(print name & signature of parent/guardian)

Astumbo Head Start



Newsletter

JANUARY 2024



Dear Parents/Guardians,

As we end the year of 2022, Ms. Roshelle and I, alongside with Ms. Res and Ms. Faith, would like to wish you and your family a Bountiful Christmas and Prosperous New Year!!! May the coming holidays be filled with joy and peace as we welcome Year 2024.

For the month of January, we will start to venture and explore "Water Study." Water study includes three investigations. The investigations give children abundant opportunities to learn more about the following.

1. What are the different ways we use water?
2. How can water change?
3. How does water help people and the environment?

In this study, they will discover the importance of water and its many uses at school and at home, investigating how water changes, and learn about how water helps people and environment. Through these investigations, children will find of sources water around the school and learn how water is used at each; explore how water is used to clean, and play, conduct experiments on how water changes, from liquid to gas, liquid to solid, and solid to liquid, learn the importance of water conservation.

-Ms. Moody & Ms. Roshelle



Focus Objectives of the Month

- Letters & Sounds: Aa-Zz
- Identifying numbers: 10-15
- Counting 1-30
- 3D-Shapes: cylinder, cone, cube, sphere
- Practice writing full name, letters & numbers
- Practice cutting
- Practice writing full name, letters and numbers
- Spelling full name

Important dates to remember:

- January 2- Resume Classess & CLPG Meeting
- January 15: Marthin Luther King (Holiday)
- January 16: Headstart Professional Development (No School)

Happy Birthday: Jhavana Barrios – January 3rd





Welcome To Kindergarten



H-101 Mrs. Patague



H-102 Ms. Quenga



H-103 Mrs. Frias

We hope you had a safe and wonderful holiday. Please continue to work with your child in completing daily homework assignments. Once again, thank you for all your continued support and we would like to wish each and every one of you and your family, A Happy New Year!!! Sincerely, The Kindergarten Teachers.

Please continue to practice the following kindergarten skills

ELA

Letter recognition and sound
Writing uppercase and lower case letters
Beginning, middle and ending sounds
Rhyming words
Reading Shared Stories
Kinder sight words

MATH

Oral counting by 1's to 100
Oral counting by 5's to 100
Oral counting by 10's to 100
Number recognition and shows quantity 0-10
Writing numbers 0-50
2-D and 3-D shapes

Reminders:

- *Please have your child prepared for assessments. (Report Card and AIMSWEB)
- * Place an extra set of clothes in their backpack to be used in the event of an emergency.
- * Return all forms to school ASAP.
- * Write an excuse note for the days your child is absent. 3 or more days require a doctor's note.
- * Provide daily snack/water bottle (no sharing is allowed).
- * Change of transportation must be in writing.
- *Shoes with Velcro or Step-Ins, if your child is unable to tie their own laces. (No crocs or sandals).
- *Practice daily skills
- *Complete weekly homework assignments

Teacher Contact Info:

H101: Vivian O. Patague: vopatague@gdoe.net
H102: Diana I. Quenga: diquenga@gdoe.net
H103: Gloria Mae Frias: gafrias@gdoe.net

HAPPY 1ST GRADE

monthly newsletter

Expressing Appreciation to Supporters of Our School

We extend our heartfelt thanks to the parents/guardians, friends, and family who dedicated their time to support our school. Your presence contributed to the success of our event, and we're grateful for your unwavering support.

STANDARD FOCUS:

- RL.1.3 Sequence of Events
- RI.1.2 Using Context
- L.1.1e GRAMMAR- Verb tense
- 1.MD.A.2 -Measurement and Data
- 1.NBT.A.1 -Number Sense: By 2s, 5s, 10s (0-120)

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Aimsweb testing:

- Jan 3-Feb.5, 2024

Canned Food Drive:

- up until Jan. 26, 2024





Super 2nd Happy 2024!



Remarks: Students, Parents, and Guardians

We are now approaching the end of 1st semester. As we continue on with the school year, please remind your child to continue to the following:

- Always practice school rules: Be safe, be respectful, and be responsible.
- School uniforms should be worn and with closed toe footwear.
- Remind parents and/or guardians to write an excuse note for every absence.
- Always do their best.

Skills for First Half of 2nd Semester (January 15 to March 15, 2023)

Reading: Author's Purpose

Compare and Contrast

Cause and Effect

Figurative Language

Language Arts: Grammar: Kinds of Sentences

What is a Noun?

Phonics: short a and i, sounds for c

long o, u, e sounds for g

Science: Homes for Living Things

(Habitats of Plants and Animals, Changes in Habitats)

Exploring Earth's Surface

(Earth's Resources, Earth Long Ago)

Math: Add Two-Digit Numbers

Subtract Two-Digit Numbers

Two-Step Word Problems

Social Studies: Landforms and Bodies of Water

Continents and Oceans

Appreciation: Thank you students, parents, and guardians for supporting the Christmas Carnival through your donations of drinks and snacks to sell, buying tickets, and participating in the activities the carnival had to offer.

We have leftover juice pouches which will be used to sell for the month of February, which is 2nd grade's designated month for fundraising.

Here's some humor!

Why did the teacher wear sunglasses to school? 😎

Because her students were so bright!



Terrific 3rd Grade

HAPPY
New Year




Subject	Skills and I Can Statements
Language Arts	Nouns -I can differentiate between common and proper nouns. -I can differentiate between a singular and a plural noun. -I can use possessive nouns correctly in sentences. -I can use pronouns correctly in sentences.
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.
Math	Addition/Subtraction -I can add up to 4-digit numbers with and without regrouping. -I can subtract up to 4-digit number with and without regrouping. -I can round numbers to the 10s, 100s, and 1,000s place value. -I can recite multiplication facts.
Science	Ecosystems -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.
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.



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



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.RL.3 I can describe in depth a character, setting, or event in a story or drama.

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.1c I can use modal auxiliaries in a sentence correctly.

Guam History 4.SS. 2.8 I can describe the political, economic, and social impact of the Spanish colonization 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.

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

January is our month to fundraise. We will be selling snacks throughout the month. To support our efforts, we are humbly requesting donations of various items, including fruit snacks, water, corn chips, beef jerky, cheese & crackers, granola bars, pretzels, and trail mix.

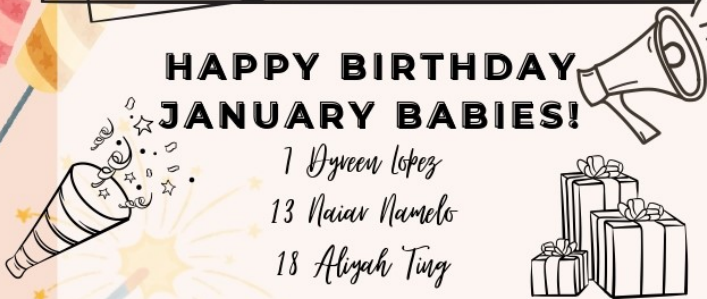
In addition, we are excited to announce that we will be hosting a New Year's Dance, tentatively scheduled for January 12, 2024. We hope to have your support in making these events a grand success.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY JANUARY BABIES!

7 Dyreen Lopez

13 Naiar Namelo

18 Aliyah Tung



Students worked on their multiplication facts with a few games and team work.



Students worked together in creating banners for our Christmas carnival.



Students participated in December Spirit Week.

Happy New Year!

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

THANK YOU to those who supported our Christmas Carnival, we had a successful event!

****CARWASH-** Our 5th grade carwash is scheduled for Sunday, February 4, 2024 from 8am-12 noon at Coast360 in Maite. Carwash tickets have been distributed, each student received 10 tickets. Please contact your child's teacher for more information or if you have any questions.

Below are the skills we will be targeting this month.

Math: **CCSS.MATH.CONTENT.5.NBT.B.5** Fluently multiply multi-digit whole numbers using the standard algorithm.

English Language Arts (ELA): **CCSS.ELA-LITERACY.L.5.1.B:** Form and use the perfect (e.g., I had walked; I have walked; I will have walked) verb tenses.

Reading: **CCSS.ELA-LITERACY.RL.5.1** Quote accurately from a text when explaining what the text says explicitly and when drawing inferences from the text.

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.

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

E104 MRS. CHRISTINA PESTANAS

E106 MRS. JEANALYN BENAVENTE

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JANUARY Birthday Celebrants

E103

Jason Solomon 01/17

E104

E106

Robwo Namewel 01/01

5th graders in action!





Biba Año Nuevo!

Praktika umusa i prunumbre siha gi kada membron familia.

(Practice using the pronoun for each member of the family.)

<i>-hu</i>	My
<i>-mu</i>	Your
<i>-ña</i>	His/her

Ehemplo:

<i>Nāna</i>
<i>Tāta</i>
<i>Che'lu lāhi</i>
<i>Che'lu Palao'an</i>
<i>Neni</i>
<i>Nānan biha</i>
<i>Tātan bihu</i>
<i>Tiha</i>
<i>Tihu</i>
<i>Prima</i>
<i>Primu</i>
<i>Matlina</i>
<i>Patlinu</i>

Nāna:

Nanā-hu - My mom.

Nanā-mu – Your mom.

Nanā-ña- His/her mom.

Tāta:

Tatā-hu – My dad.

Tatā-mu – Your dad.

Tatā-ña – His/her dad.

LIBRARY CORNER



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

UPCOMING CELEBRATIONS

- January 15: Martin Luther King, Jr. Day
- Braille Literacy Month

JANUARY 2024

Happy New Year, Butterflies!

This month we will revisit nonfiction classification and learn about Martin Luther King, Jr.

Please take good care of your library book so that other Butterflies may enjoy it when you are done. If you have an outstanding fine or an overdue book, take care of that as soon as possible. Si Yu'os Ma'ase!



December Makerspace

HAPPY

new year



Author visit and read-aloud with Simone Bollinger on Dec 4.

LIBRARY RESOURCES

Learn something new from home!

Library Website:

sites.google.com/gdoe.net/ateslibrary

BrainPOP:

brainpop.com

username: ateslibrary password: Access!

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!

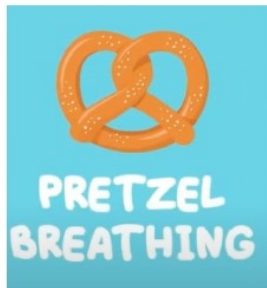
HERE'S the SCOOP

COUNSELING CONNECTIONS – JANUARY 2024

LOOK WHAT WE ARE LEARNING

Wellness Wednesdays – our butterflies K-5th continues promotes state of calmness with Pretzel Breathing Brain Break Technique.

We are also going to learn SEL (social and emotional learning) character traits – RESPONSIBLE DECISION MAKING for this month.



FRIENDLY REMINDERS

Activities this month:

- Great Kindness Spirit Week
- PBIS Fridays with Ms. Kass Cruz
- Classroom Kindness Wall Display

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EVENTS

Great Kindness Spirit Week :

January 22-26, 2024

- Monday – January 22
Kindness is Cool – wear your sunglasses.
- Tuesday – January 23
Work out Problems with Kindness – wear work out, athletic outfit.
- Wednesday – January 24
I “Heart” Kindness – Wear heart print, red or pink shirt.
- Thursday – January 25
Ride the Kindness wave- wear beach, surf attire.
- Friday – January 26
Kindness is the key to success- wear future career or dress to impress.
(Student not participating should wear uniform).

Happy New Year

4th Grade Snack Sale

When: Throughout the month of January @ 2:43PM

Where: Next to the school cafeteria

Who: all students, faculty & staff are welcome to support



Happy New Year

School Dance

Sponsored by 4th Grade

When: January 12, 2024 @ 1:30PM-2:30PM

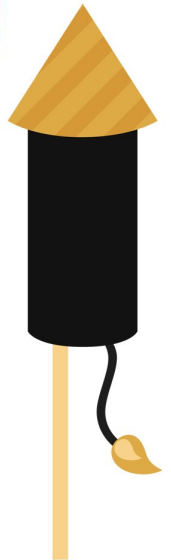
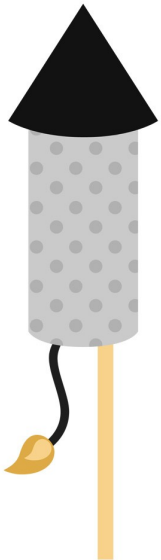
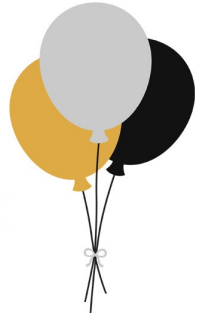
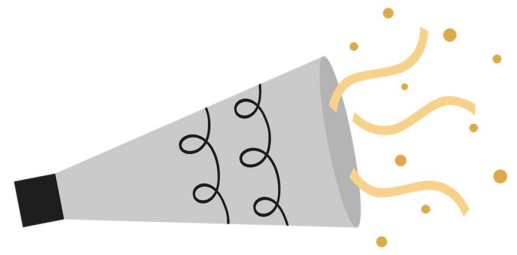
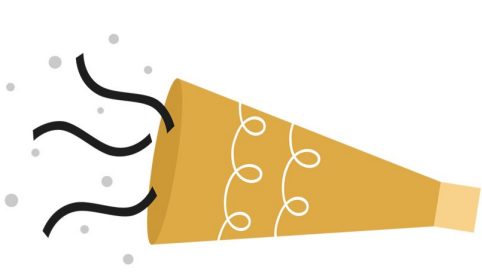
Where: In the school cafeteria

How much: \$1 entrance fee

Snacks will be sold for \$1 each as well.



HAPPY NEW YEAR!



W	I	H	V	V	A	X	R	N	R	Z	G	O	A	L	S	A	Z	Y	F
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N	A	E	N	K	V	K	T	Y	F	H	R	R	A	Y	R	Y	I	A	V

Countdown
Confetti
Midnight
Balloons

Celebration
Fireworks
January
Happy



New Year
Clock
Cheers
Goals

Party Poppers
Noisemaker
Resolution
Sparklers

