

## **HES Board Report**

### **April 2019**

#### **Kindergarten**

This month in math we will be learning about measurement. In ELAR, we will be reading expository texts to gain facts, main ideas, and details. In science we will be learning about basic parts of plants and animals. Finally, in social studies we will be learning about the difference between needs and wants and how people work jobs to meet their own needs and wants.

#### **First Grade**

In reading we are going to review poems, fairy tales, fables, and the difference between true stories and fantasy stories. In language arts we are going to review pronouns, adverbs and transition words. In math we will be working on measurement as well as reviewing addition and subtraction facts. In social studies we are studying basic human needs. We will learn the difference between a need and a want as well as a good and a service. In science we are learning about food chains as well as life cycles.

#### **Second Grade**

Second graders learn to investigate life cycles and parts of plants in Science. In math we will be introducing multiplication and division, reviewing fractions, and learning about personal financial literacy. Our young scholars will be writing expository and persuasive papers and learning about media in English Language Arts and celebrating our Cultural Heritage in Social Studies.

#### **Life Skills**

In April we are focusing on life cycles of living things such as frogs and chickens. We will be studying the parts of the plants and growing our own plants right here in our classroom and learning what plants need in order to survive. Also we will be talking about the season of Spring and exploring the changes that take place.

#### **Counselor's Corner**

The Choose Love Enrichment Program emphasizes the simple, universal teachings of courage, gratitude, forgiveness, and compassion in action. During the month of April, we will continue to focus on the character trait of **Compassion in Action** in our guidance classes as well as in our daily activities at school. Students will review that compassion in action means showing kindness to help someone solve a problem or feel better.

#### **C.A.M.P. Excitement**

##### **Computer:**

April will be a month of review in the HES computer lab. Students will revisit how and why we use the internet as well as a refresher on internet safety. We will also discuss what it means to leave a good digital footprint behind. Students will use the internet for research and learn why we cite web pages in our research.

##### **Art:**

Artists at HES will be getting their hands dirty with clay projects in April. Kinder will make cute clay snails on leaves, first grade will make pinch pots and 2nd grade will make coil pots. The students will learn that clay is basically wet dirt and is easily molded into various shapes when wet. Student creations will be fired in the kiln (special oven) and get to paint their project piece.

**Music:** In the month of April, Music students in First/Second Grade will be studying Prokofiev's *Peter & the Wolf*. Second grade will finish up their study on the 4 instrument families and learn about how melodies move and change. First grade will begin studying the 4 instrument families and the classroom instruments in depth. Kindergarteners will learn the choreography to their musical, *Gettin' Down with Mama Goose 2.0*, & perfect it for their performance on April 30<sup>th</sup>.

**PE:**

In PE this month we will learn new games such as Sinker-ball, Submarines & Mines, and Roll for It. Second Grade will begin training to run long distance and will have try-outs for Mile Club. The Mile Club is a group of Second graders that will get to run a special event at Field Day.

**Rhythm Rascals:**

The Rhythm Rascals performed their show "On the Radio" during the Eagle Expo with songs such as "On the Radio", "Hound Dog" and the "Yellow Submarine".

We will perform for the Optimist Club at Town Hall Nursing home on Thursday, April 4<sup>th</sup> at 2:00, the Lions Club on Tuesday, April 9<sup>th</sup> at noon and at Franklin School in late April.



**Reading Rascals**

Reading Rascals got the opportunity to read to the children at Franklin Elementary School.



Kindergarten students: Jose Mora, Jr., Robert Marron, Maria Garcia, Lucas Nolan, Angel Garcia-Mendez, Kholbi McKinney, Trace Martinez, and Jancarlo Rodriguez

First Grade students: Major Hughes, Diego Alfaro, Jose Morales, Olivia Ramirez, Noah Nors, Ethan Vrba, Ethan Lorenzo, and Kamaya Moore.

Second Grade students: Jordan Roberson, Jocelyne Crisostomo, Olivia Dyer, Austin Wayman, Marcos Martinez, Halle Craig, Jaydan Ybarra, and Jordan Ybarra.

### **Math Monsters:**

March's Math Monsters were joined by staff from the Hill County Sheriff's Office to play math games. What a great opportunity for our students to see another great side of these community service members.



Kindergarten students: Ares Mundo, Emilio Cecilio, Adrian Cuevas Vargas, Hector Flores, Brylee Teague, Bryson George, Kamryn Freeman, Waylon Anderson



First Grade students: Elisa Garcia, Dalilah Sanches, Isabella Alejandro, Kamori Bolden, Mercy Sanchez, Xzavier Mercado, Damarcus Brooks, A'livia Jordan



Second Grade students: Sophia Rea, Jesus Ponce, Kate Villarreal, Austin Wayman, Mariela Galvan, Michael Lowery, Pedro Quiros, Josiah Campos

