

HES Board Report December 2018

Kindergarten

This month in math we will continue to learn all about numbers 11-15. We will now be adding and subtracting numbers up to 10. In reading, we will continue to review story elements such as characters, setting, and key events. We will also continue to identify the main idea of a story and using story maps to retell a story. In writing, we will be working on writing a narrative story using pictures and/or 1-2 sentences. In science we will be exploring our weather unit. In social studies we will be exploring geography and places. This means, Christmas around the world!!!

First Grade

We recently learned to use transition words in a text and that they support the beginning, middle and end of a story. This month we will continue writing a lot. We are especially excited about the letters for Santa! In Reading the new topic for this month will be long and short vowels where we will learn how to identify them in a word and how to apply them when we are reading. For Conventions we will keep working on adverbs. In December, we will start a new math unit, we will focus on 10 less and 10 more of a number and we will work on skip counting forward and backwards. Finally, for Social Studies we will identify and describe physical characteristics of places that affect the way of living in your community; and in science we will focus on weather, natural resources and bodies of water.

Second Grade

In Math we will be learning about fractions and continuing to explore addition and subtraction. Our second grade scientists will discover natural and man-made resources, and in Social Studies we will learn about local, state, and federal government. Our kids will be working hard in ELAR as well, this month they will be describing main characters and story elements. In addition to all of our academic activities our 2nd graders have been preparing for their Christmas Musical

Life Skills

We will be comparing two versions of the Gingerbread man and exploring story elements. We will be making decisions about ourselves to make our own Gingerbread Men glyphs as well as going on a Gingerbread Man Hunt. We will research traditional Christmas symbols and use what we learned to explain to our classmates. The last week before our break we will jump aboard the Polar Express and incorporate skills such as, reading, writing, and various math concepts.

Rhythm Rascals

The Rhythm Rascals have started working on their Christmas program. The songs on the program are Rudolph the Red Nosed Reindeer, It's Beginning to look a lot like Christmas, Do you Hear What I Hear, Frosty the Snowman, and The Christmas Song

We have 4 places lined up to perform their Christmas Program. We will perform on Monday, December 17th at 9:30 at Franklin School and 10:15 at Wesley House Retirement home. On Wednesday, December 19th, we will perform at 9:30 for Homestead Nursing Home and at 10:15 for Town Hall Nursing Home. The students are very excited to spread the Christmas spirit to their audiences.

We have 32 members in the Rhythm Rascals. They are all second graders and represent HES out in the community. Ms. Abt and Ms. Powell are co-directors of the group.

Reading Rascals:

In November the chosen Reading Rascals traveled to Homestead Nursing Home. We had a wonderful time reading to the residents and they read some to us!!



HES participants were:

Kindergarten: Austin Jones, Noemi Hodges, Kenia Gongora, Kasen Peavy, Demani Brooks, Maritza Rodriguez, Jaxon Evans, and Taraji Roy

First: Jordan Beltran, Jacob Martinez, James Staggs, Liam Carpenter, Maximus Cerrone, Gabriel Cercas, Jakayla Wilson, and Margarita Lozano

Second: Cohen Peyton, Jazlynn Alvarado, Makayla Prather, Danaly Contreras, Jaquelin Antunez, Anna Claire Bailey, Aaron Coburn, and Frances Gill

Math Monsters:

This month our Math Monsters were joined by a few of our HISD Admin Team. They were truly "Lifesavers" and stepped in for our event at the last minute! We appreciate their support and the students had a blast showing off their math skills!



Kinder: Jennifer Lopez, Ka'liyah Washington, Angel Perez, Maricela Librado, Jaime Rojas, Ashton Cox, Christian Kolbek and Iris Schneider



First: Travis White, Bruno Mendoza, Ilene Librado, Leo Salas, Landon Johnston, Marcos Carbajal, Tyson Knox and Yisrael Cansler



Second: Jordan Roberson, Kaelan Wilkinson, Makayla Prather, Ella Scarborough, Daniela Lopez, Jazmin Garrett, Darrian Green and Sophia Uptmor