

## **HES Board Report March 2018**

### **Kindergarten**

In math, we are ready to learn subtraction. Students will then determine addition and subtraction word problems using key words. In reading, we are starting the month with procedural text but will then focus on poetry for the remainder of the month. We are excited for our students to learn nursery rhymes and expand their rhyming skills. We will also be celebrating Dr. Seuss' birthday and have planned for "special readers" to come read to us. Social studies will teach us about community helpers and students will be visited by several community helpers from our own community. In science, we will be sorting animals and plants by their characteristics. Kindergarten will also be planting their own seeds too, to further explore the plant life cycle.

### **First Grade**

In Math, we will be collecting data and reviewing for our 3rd CBA of the year, which will consist of everything we have learned in first grade so far. After spring break, we will learn all about fractions then move on to 2D Shapes. In ELAR, we will start putting words in alphabetical order to help our vocabulary development. We will continue to work on our fluency. We will begin learning about media literacy as well as begin reviewing everything we know about fiction stories. Living things and their environment will be our topic of discussions for Science.

### **Second Grade**

We will be introducing multiplication and division concepts in Math along with telling time to the minute! Spring Break will allow us to recharge, plus we will be visiting the Ross Perot Museum in Dallas for our Spring Field Trip! In Science we will be learning about the weather, water cycle, and the moon and stars. In ELAR our students will be researching using a variety of resources. Students will focus on reading to locate facts and then write expository pieces using their information.

### **Computer**

During the month of March in the computer we will continue to work on their Lexia and Compass Math programs. HES students have already earned 1136 certificates in Lexia. In Kindergarten students will continue working on their math and shape books, focusing on motor skills using the mouse and keyboarding skills. In First grade students will continue researching the weather and seasons and begin putting together a booklet for each class. In Second grade students will continue researching and gathering facts for their zoo animal slideshows.

### **Art**

March will be an extra exciting time for our artists at HES because we will begin to work with clay. Kinders will make snails, first grade will learn how to make a pinch pot and second grade will make a coil pot. Ceramics is a long process so these projects will probably be finished by the end of April. Clay projects take 7 days to dry, 2 days in the kiln (special oven for clay), and then the students will glaze (special paint for clay) them and then we'll have to fire them in the kiln again.

### **Music**

March music classes will continue to study African Americans' contribution to music. Second grade will learn about different orchestral and band instruments. First grade will learn how to read notes and rhythms as they continue to sing and play instruments. Kindergarten will be learning the notes and words to their musical, "Three of a Kind" that we will perform at the end of April.

## PE

We will learn new games and activities. Second grade will start the fitness gram for the second time to see if they can compete with their times and scores from the first round. Classes will learn games like: Pass and Score, Traffic Light Tag, and Battleship. It will be a great month in PE.

## Math Monsters

Our February Math Monsters showed off their math skills by playing with the 6th grade GRIT members. In March, the Math Monsters will be showing off their math skills to the members of the high school softball team!

The participants were:

**Kinder:** Jarron Rodriguez, Angel Chavez, Gilberto Segura, Xavier Fierro, Kay'Marrien Robinson, Edgar Juarez, Ivan Fuentes, and Aiden Coburn.

**1st:** Maddie Markwardt, Jaqueline Antunez, Caroline Shoden, Jaydan Ybarra, De'Marrion Green, Cesar Perez, JJ Lopez, Kamar Evans

**2nd:** Kynlee Peavy, D'Marcus Harrison, Samantha Epling, Tyler Reid, Caleb Balderas, Riley Rutledge, Wade Garrett, Cloe Creech

## Reading Rascals

Our February Reading Rascals traveled to Franklin Elementary School on Wednesday, February 21st. All 23 students loved having the opportunity to read to the PreK and Daycare students. The Franklin teachers and staff were so happy to see their precious students and impressed with their reading skills.

Next month our March Reading Rascals will visit Town Hall estates to continue sharing our love of reading.

The participants were:

**Kinder** - Margarita Lozano, Aalyah Reyes, Ryder Hamilton, Isabella Alejandro, Jaziya Morris, Natalie Tellez, James Staggs, Henry Bowman

**First** - Jazmin Ramirez, Alexis Serrato, Anahi Duron, Halle Craig, Ja'Kayla Perkins, Aaron Diaz-Almanza, Julianna Defer, Jahiree Green

**Second** - Cassadie Murray, Stephany Najera, Tate Divin, Makayla McGuire, Diego Librado, Ariana Urista, Savannah Hurt, Daniela Jasso

## Counselor's Corner

Guidance lessons during the month of February focused on the character trait of HONESTY. Students learned that honesty means being truthful with your words and actions, and accepting responsibility for your choices and actions. Congratulations to the following students who were chosen by their teachers for doing an outstanding job of demonstrating honesty in their classrooms. Way to go!!

These students celebrated with their special guests at our Shining Super Stars lunch at HES.

Kindergarten: Alexander Gutierrez, Dalilah Sanches, Grayson Knoblauch, Robert Verduzco, Lincoln Armstrong, Patrick Beavers, Ivan Fuentes, and Jordan Shaver

1<sup>st</sup> Grade: Johanna Gilliam, Marcos Martinez, Julian Tuma, Maximus Harris, Meagan Stephens, Kate Villarreal, Austin Wayman, Suleika Gonzales, and TJ Flores

2<sup>nd</sup> Grade: Kamyiah Ramos, Nicholas Pizano, Jason Tovar, Tyrin Garner, Kylee Carter, Damian Martinez, Marlet Hernandez, and Jalen Hawkins

COOPERATION will be the focus of guidance lessons during the month of March. Students will be reminded that cooperation means following directions, helping one another, and working together as a team.

