



# FIRST GRADE MONTHLY NEWSLETTER

April 2017

Habit of Mind:  
Finding Humor, Balanced

### Attendance

Our school wide goal is 98% attendance for each month. Students with perfect attendance will be recognized at assemblies. The school will also hold a BBQ for each month we reach our goal. If your child is unable to come to school, please make sure to do independent study for each day your child is absent. Independent study packets, when they are returned, give your student credit for they day they missed.

You can find the independent study contract at the school office or online (sjva.net-parent-parent resources-independent study) Contracts must be signed by 3:00 the day of the student's absence.

**Remind is a free app that allows parents to receive important messages from the teacher directly to your phone or email. Below is the information needed to sign up.**

**Text your teachers code to 81010**

Mrs. Leyva -@e79b2e

Ms. Mitwalli—@mitwalli

Ms. Ralston—@k42c

Ms. Zazueta— @mszaz

Ms. Wong —@ahch8

### Curriculum Focus

**Language Arts**— base words ending in -er, -est, change -y to -i, long /i//igh//y//ie/, -ing, -ed, -er, -est, -es, suffixes -ful, -ly, -y, prefixes un-, re-

**Reading**— For third trimester we are working towards a level 16 in reading assessments. Our main focus is comprehension. Please practice the five finger retell with your child (characters, setting, plot -beginning, middle, end). Please use Raz-kids.com, Think Central, and Lexia for help with reading.

**Math (Ch. 11 and 12)** Two and three dimensional shapes

**Social Studies**—

**Science**— Animals and plants

### Resources

For videos explaining how to do math problems, search math on the spot on google and click the first link.

For extra worksheets, create an account for [teacherspayteachers.com](http://teacherspayteachers.com).

### Homework Tips

Please don't complete the whole packet in one sitting and use pencil.

If your child is feeling overwhelmed, take a five minute break.

A quiet space is encouraged.

The drive to and from school is a good time for students to practice Raz-Kids.

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SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT	
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Angela 2	3	4	5	Mitwalli Rauston field trip Sasha 6	7	8	
9	10	11	12	Wong, Leyva, Zazueta Field trip 13	Math Chp. 11 test casual dress 14	15	
16	S P R I N G B R E A K						
Zachary 17	Benjamin 18	Christina 19	Aubriel 20	Kiara 21		22	
23	24	25	26	27	Flag ceremony 28	29	
30							