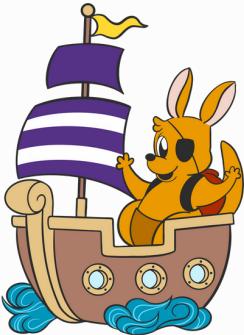


NOVEMBER 2022

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PARENT NEWSLETTER



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WELCOME

Hurricane Make Up Days (No-Early Dismissal Days):

- November 9, 2022
- December 7, 2022
- January 18, 2023
- February 1, 2023
- February 15, 2023
- March 22, 2023
- May 10, 2023



REMINDERS

DO NOT FORGET

- November 21-25 (Thanksgiving Break)
- **Dismissal:** Please be sure to follow the correct dismissal procedures. Car riders must have a car tag and remain in the car at all times. Walkers must walk home (you cannot pick up a student using a car if they are a walker). It is not safe to have your child walk into a car when they are supposed to be a walker.
- Please remember that arrival begins at 8:10. Students left at the school prior to this time are unsupervised as the school opens at 8am. Failure to follow this procedure will result in the school having to report this to the authorities.

Our top priority is to ensure that every child on campus is safe. Please help us make this happen!

THANK YOU

Table Talk

Teach your child how to play a game that you played as a child.



*Believe
in yourself,
be persistent,
and don't let
anyone break
your confidence.*

QUOTE
OF THE

Month

PARENT TIPS



Reading fluency is so important! Try having your child read out loud nightly for 20-30 minutes. They can read anything! A book, magazine or a recipe!

READING

If you have a deck of cards at home. Remove all of the kings, queens and jokers (use Ace as 1). You can play an addition or multiplication game with these cards. Split the deck into two and each player holds half of the cards. At the same time drop a card and add them or multiply them. First one to answer gets a point!

MATH



PARENT NOTICE



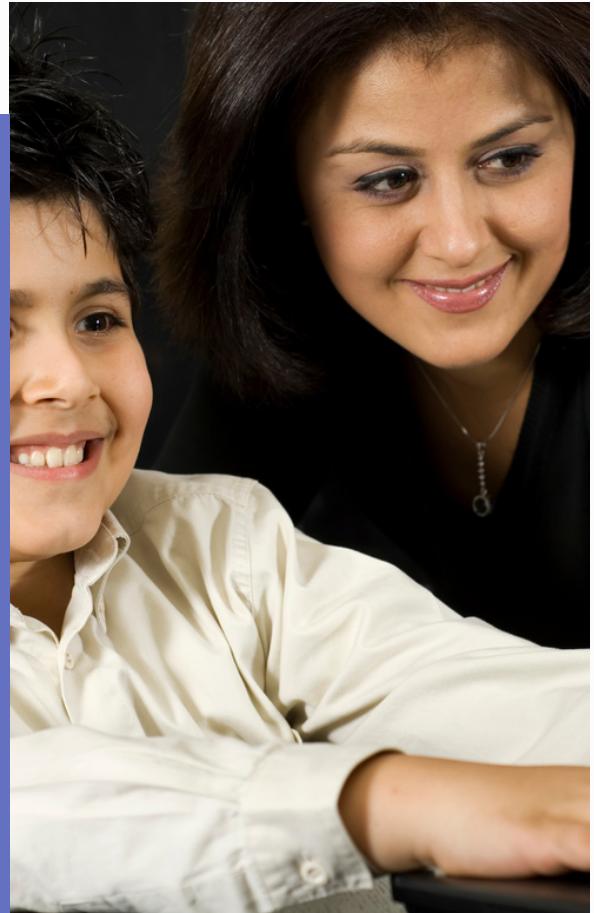
If you are experiencing difficulties with signing into skyward, please visit:

- ocps.net
- [Skyward information](#)
- [complete help form](#)

THANK YOU

Parents! We need your help to monitor your student internet use. We want to make sure that students are using the internet for educational purposes and not for anything inappropriate. Social Media is great for connecting students with friends and enhances creativity, however please observe what your child is watching and speak to them when inappropriate content is seen. Here is an article that is helpful for parents to monitor their child's internet use. Help them stay safe!

[CLICK HERE](#)

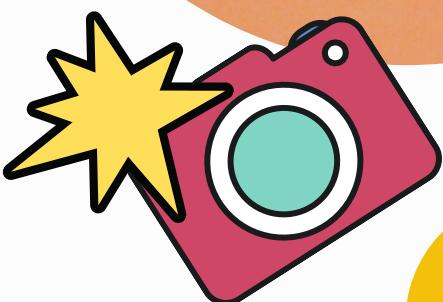


TEACHER SPOTLIGHT

CIARA COLLADO - SECRETARY

- Have been with Millennia since 2008.
- Binge watches Grey's Anatomy.
- Love concerts!

MS. COLLADO



TEACHER SPOTLIGHT

MS. WRIGHT - 5TH GRADE

- I am an island gal.
- Shopping is my weakness.
- I married my high school sweetheart 3 years ago.

MS. WRIGHT



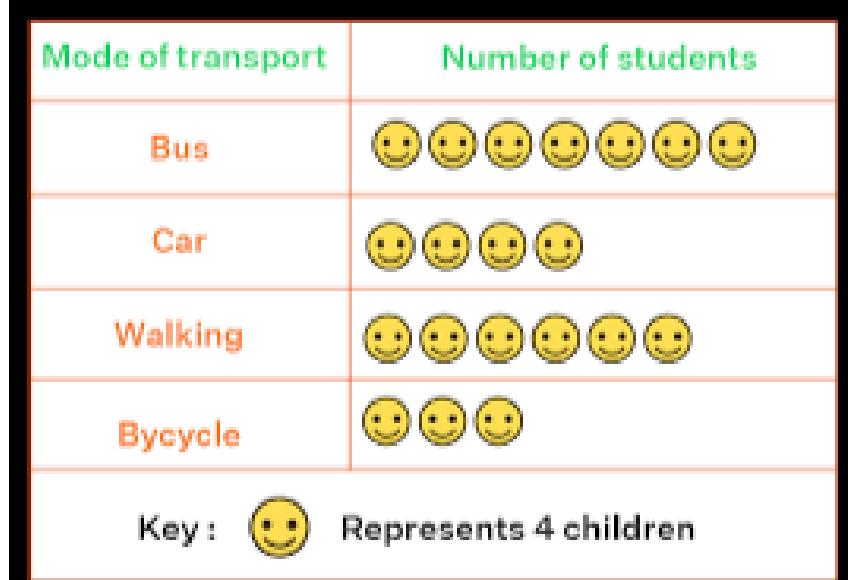
KINDERGARTEN BLURB

We're fall-ing into the 2nd quarter! Can you believe we finished the first 9 weeks? We have learned so these letters so far in the alphabet; M, A, S, T, P, I, N. Sight words we have learned are: a, can, I, like, see, the, to, we, and. We are focusing on informational text where students are explaining what is the topic and the details of the book. In Math students have learned to compare numbers 0-5 and soon will begin adding 0-5. In Science we are learning about how scientists make observations. A friendly reminder....the Kindergarten field trip to Crayola Experience is Thursday Nov 3, 2022. We have sent home permission slips, we are asking you to make the \$14.00 payment for the field trip using school pay. The last day to make the payment is Monday October 17, 2022.

1ST GRADE BLURB

This month in reading we will be exploring informational texts. We will be using text features to answer text dependent questions, to determine the topic and details, and to compare and contrast texts about the same topic. In addition to this, we will be using fictional texts to identify and describe the main elements in the story and the descriptive words and phrases. Finally, we will be retelling texts to demonstrate comprehension! In math, We will be collecting data and sorting it into categories. Beyond this we will be representing and interpreting the data using tally marks and pictographs.

Food Items	Tally Marks
Burger	
Cake	
Patties	
Ice-cream	
French fries	
Fried Rice	



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What are **Text Features?** R15

Table of contents

- Caption
- Glossary
- Heading
- Diagram
- Italic Print
- Bold Print/ Highlight
- Index
- Graph
- Photograph

TEXT FEATURES

Nonfiction TEXT FEATURES help a reader make sense of a text.

OTHERS TO KNOW:

- SPECIAL PRINT: bold, italicized, and underlined words
- GLOSSARY: gives you definitions of some words in the text
- INDEX: gives the page number of important topics

TABLE OF CONTENTS: tells you the order in which ideas appear

PICTURES: lets you know exactly how something looks

CAPTIONS: tells you more about an image

BULLET POINTS, SIDEbars, and LISTS: gives extra info about a topic or idea

GRAPHICS: charts, graphs, timelines, tables, maps, etc. help you to better understand an idea

2ND GRADE BLURB

Our reading is Unit 2.2 Reading Prose & Poetry. We will find the theme, or message, of poems and fables, find rhyming words in the lines of poems, and the rhyme scheme of a stanza of a poem, identify settings, order events, and use context clues to determine the meaning of unknown words. Students will explore prefixes and suffixes and how the meaning of the base word changes when the affix is added. Phonics continues to be taught daily, as students are still learning the various phonics skills.

During writing students will learn and use proper capitalization, apostrophes, plurals, and punctuation marks appropriately. They will write to retell a story, and create an informational, opinion, and narrative piece of writing to share with classmates.

In Math we solve one and two-step word problems involving double digit addition and subtraction. Students continue using the “break-apart” strategy eg. 91 - 53, regrouping using place-value blocks to solve subtraction problems eg. 64 - 25, and determine if an equation is true (T) or false (F) eg. $57 + 28 = 55 + 30$ $72 - 38 = 74 - 36$ and round numbers to the nearest ten on a number line eg. 65, 66, 67, 68, 69 round up to 70, but 64, 63, 62, 61 round down to 60. The upcoming topic is on money!

The Science Big Idea 13 is “Forces and Motion,” students will understand motion is movement and position is top, bottom, left, and right. Then they will investigate friction as a force and know gravity is a pull. Students will investigate that when they apply a gentle or stronger force to an object like a toy car or a ball, this will increase or decrease the speed of the toy car or ball. Students will investigate magnets and discover materials that are either magnetic or not, and know metals that can attract or repel a magnet.

Remember to check the class dojo and communicate on a regular basis with your child’s 2nd grade teacher. This can keep you up to date on upcoming events as it happens, and good communication is the key to a successful school year for your child, or children. We appreciate and thank you for your support!

3RD GRADE BLURB

In math, students will be participating in a Macy's Thanksgiving Day parade through the 3rd, 4th and 5th grade hallways. Students will be practicing skills that they have learned since the beginning of the year. Students will be completing challenges during their math block.

In reading, students will also have the opportunity to participate in a modified Thanksgiving day parade in their ELA classroom. Students will be reading and learning all about the parade and other fall topics. We are excited to practice concepts already learned to strengthen our reading skills.



4TH GRADE BLURB

Math:

Students will be learning how to read, write, plot, compare and round numbers to 1,000,000. Please practice math facts.

What are the different ways to represent a number?

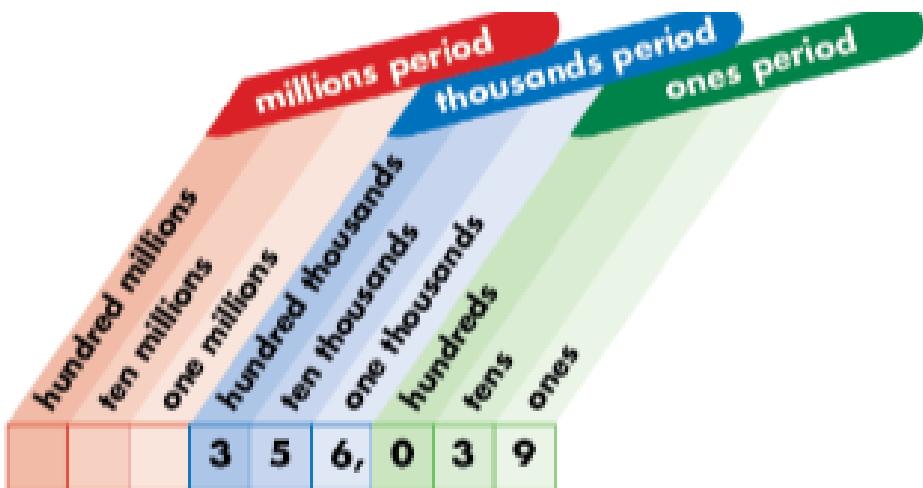
Standard Form: 356,039

(Writing numbers showing only its digits)

Word form: three hundred fifty-six thousand, thirty-nine
(A number written out in words)

Expanded form: $300,000 + 50,000 + 6,000 + 30 + 9$

(A number written as the sum of the values of its digit)



4TH GRADE BLURB

How do you compare numbers using symbols?

Comparison Symbols

< is less than

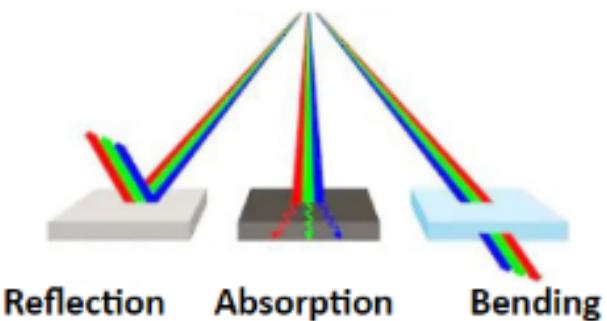
> is greater than

= is equal to

Science-

Students will observe and describe some basic forms of energy, including light, heat, sound, electrical, and the energy of motion.

Light Energy



- Light travels in a straight line until it comes in contact with an object or substance.
- Light **reflects** when it bounces off a shiny or light colored object or substance.
- Light is **absorbed** when it is taken in by a dark colored object or substance.
- Light **bends** (refracts) when it passes through a transparent object or substance.

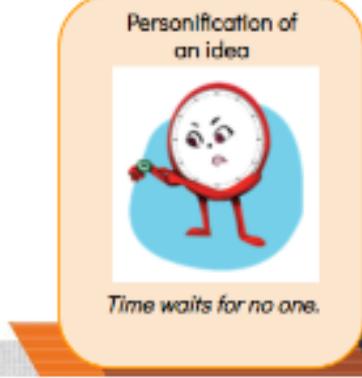
4TH GRADE BLURB

READING: STUDENTS WILL CONTINUE TO DRIVE DEEPER INTO THE FOLLOWING STANDARDS. THIS TIME AROUND WE WILL BE EXPLORING POETRY!

ELA.4.R.1.3: IDENTIFY THE NARRATOR'S POINT OF VIEW AND EXPLAIN THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN A NARRATOR'S POINT OF VIEW AND CHARACTER PERSPECTIVE IN A LITERARY TEXT.

ELA.4.R.1.4: EXPLAIN HOW RHYME AND STRUCTURE CREATE MEANING IN A POEM.

ELA.4.R.3.1: EXPLAIN HOW FIGURATIVE LANGUAGE CONTRIBUTES TO MEANING IN TEXT(S).



To identify rhyme, I look for words with the same ending sounds. The author uses rhyming words at the end of each line in each stanza.

This rhyme scheme contributes to the overall structure of the poem.

5TH GRADE

NEWSLETTER

November 1st, 2022



READING

Unit 2.2

We will be revisiting Reading Poetry and learning about poetic elements. We will work on the target skill of finding the theme, analyzing the setting, events, conflict and characterization, and using context clues. Students will explore suffixes and multiple meaning words.

Vocabulary

- assuring
- emerging
- detected
- guidance
- outcome
- previous
- pursuit

Suffixes

-able, -ible

Means: can be

-ion, -tion, -ation

Means: the act or process

Academic Vocabulary

- analyze
- characterization
- conflict
- contribute
- develop
- development
- figurative language
- perspective
- poetic elements
- relevant



MATHS

Unit 5: Fractions

- Estimate sums and differences of fractions with unlike denominators
- Use common denominators to add and subtract fractions
- Use models to add and subtract fractions
- Use regrouping to add and subtract fractions
- Add and subtract fractions and mixed numbers

SCIENCE

Big Idea 13

Our focus is on Forces and Changes in Motion.

- Understand what a force is and give common examples
- Understand position, motion and direction and their relationship to force
- Investigate and describe friction as a force
- Estimate and describe gravity and how it can be overcome
- Investigate and describe that magnets can attract magnetic materials and attract or repel other magnets
- Investigate and describe how more force is required to move objects which have more mass.
- Investigate and describe that more force applied to an object will increase the speed of the object
- Investigate and describe balanced and unbalanced forces acting on objects



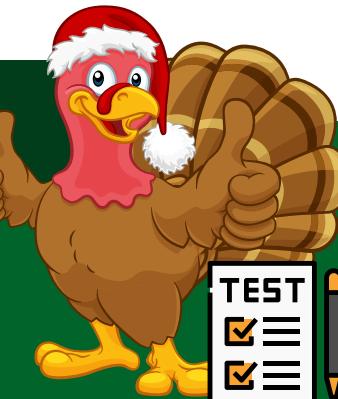
WRITING

Expository - Unit 2.2

We will be focusing on brainstorming, planning, drafting, adding transitional words and phrases, editing, revising and publishing. Students will examine sources and determine which argument is best. Students will use and apply grammar rules, conventions and punctuation marks appropriately. Students are also practicing cursive writing.

Important Dates

- 11/11 Science Assessment
- 11/17 Reading Assessment
- 11/18 Writing Assessment
- 11/18 Math Assessment



SPECIALS BLURB



ART BLURB

Happy October, all! This month in Art we are celebrating Hispanic Heritage Month with learning about Mexican Folk Art Starting September 20th and creating a work of art with a watercolor and marker technique.

Grades 3,4,5



Grade 1,2



Kindergarten



Also, we will finish out the month learning about Frida Kahlo and Diego Rivera and their contributions to Mexican Folk Art. We will also explore portraits, and watch a fun video that shows Casa Azul and the house that Frida lived in when she lived in Mexico.



MUSIC BLURB

Students are continuing to explore, perform and create music across the grade levels.

Kindergarten students are working on improving the quality of their singing voice by using their head voice. They will also begin learning how to improvise or create musical answers to musical questions.

First graders will be learning how to differentiate between music sung by one singer and music performed by a group. Additionally, they will identify the similarities and differences between two performances of a familiar song.

Second graders are familiarizing themselves with the story of The Nutcracker. They are also learning the various pieces of music they will hear on their upcoming trip to see a live performance of the ballet by Orlando Ballet on November 29.

Third grade students will be focusing on building their knowledge of rhythms. Additionally, they will begin learning about traditional music notation and creating their own music through improvisation and notation.

Fourth grade students will be learning about the form or structure of music as a means of preparing themselves to create arrangements of music by manipulating the form.

Fifth graders will focus on improvising or creating their own music in the moment, learning about musical notation, and arranging familiar music.

ORCHESTRA

Welcome to another wonderful school year! Orchestra Classes are offered to 4th and 5th grade students who would like to play the violin, viola ,cello or bass. We have class every Wednesday during Specials.

Fourth grade students interested have already signed up. I need all the forms I have given you.

Fifth graders need to get forms in if they have been attending classes.

It is too late to sign up for this 22-23 school year but look for registration papers at the end of 3rd or 4th grade.

We are going to learn how to play the VIOLIN in 4th grade and violin, viola, cello or bass in 5th. Let's have fun and make music!



About Mrs. Butler:

I am in my 31st year of teaching Orchestra here in Orange County. I am also a professional violinist for 36 years and play all over the Central Florida Area including Disney. I am thrilled to be here at Millennia Elementary for the second year.

PE BLURB

Welcome to Physical Education! We are excited to teach our students developmental skills with various activities throughout the year. We will also teach them about good sportsmanship and healthy habits.

We started the year teaching the students locomotor skills that we may use everyday such as walking, running, skipping, hopping, galloping etc.

In the month of September the students will learn how to jump and land properly in efforts to have the ability to jump rope. We will also be starting the Fitness Assessment Pre-Test and Goals. The students will set fitness goals for themselves. The students will also take fitness assessments tests so the students see their fitness level to see what they can and want to improve on throughout the year.

COUNSELOR'S CORNER



My name is Angeline Hernandez, your School Counselor at Millennia Elementary! My goal is to support students who are experiencing any difficulties that may interfere with their academic progress.

The School Counseling support that is available includes:

- School-wide Classroom Guidance Lessons
- Individual and Small Group Counseling
- Crisis Response and Support Services
- Referral to outside community resources

Classroom Guidance Lessons

WHAT WILL WE BE LEARNING WITH MS. HERNANDEZ?

SEPTEMBER
Meet The
Counselor
Lessons in
all grade
levels

OCTOBER/NOVEMBER

Safety Matters Lessons
in all grade levels.

We will learn
5 safety
rules and how they
can keep us safe
in unsafe situations!

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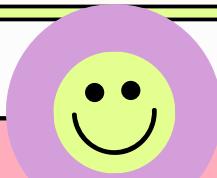
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TAG US!



THANK YOU

**MS. PENA - PRINCIPAL
MR. COMES - ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL**

Thank you so much for being apart of our family! If there is anything that we can do to make your experience at Millennia better or if there was someone on our team who was extremely helpful. Please do not hesitate to let us know.

THANK YOU