

Marlin Tales



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Geraldine D. Quejado
Principal

"Machananao Elementary School will create a safe, trendsetting, community of life-long learners striving for success."

ADMINISTRATOR'S ADDRESS...

Dear Parents/Guardian,

The closing of SY 2020-2021 is just around the corner. Our Fifth Graders will be graduating from MES...we all know that graduation is a time for reflection, a time for goodbyes, for memories recalled and ready for a bright new adventure. For the rest of the grade levels, we look forward to seeing you in the upcoming school year. For the remainder of this school year...let us honor our students and celebrate their remarkable achievement. They have worked hard, conquered many challenges, overcame obstacles, achieved goals and objectives throughout this unique times. No matter what the situation was, this school year we have seen them grow and develop emotionally, mentally, and successfully. They have learned so much. They have remained eager and enthusiastic about school. Our thanks and appreciation to all the parents, faculty and staff for their untiring roles and responsibilities that they played to ensure our students continued to learn through Online, Face-to-Face, and Hard Copy models. We are incredibly proud of them. As parents and teachers, we do put a lot of time and energy into preparing our children for their future. We do indeed equip our children with life-long skills to prepare them for adulthood. Our young children will move into a new school year...a year with new challenges. As they move into their respective tomorrows so bright with goals already achieved and more dreams still to aspire, it is our collective responsibility as we guide and mold the leaders of tomorrow...for it is on them that the future will have to depend on. To our Marlins...you have worked very hard to learn more every day, you have continuously tried your best, you have made new friends and you have all tried to be a good friend too. Well done and congratulations to each and everyone of you. Please see calendar for your child/children promotional ceremony. *On behalf of the faculty, staff, and students we wish all mothers a "Happy Mother's Day" ! Our mother, our friend so dear! Throughout our life, she's always near. A tender smile to guide our way, she's definitely the sunshine that lights our day!*

SUMMER SCHOOL INFORMATION

The Guam Department of Education (GDOE) will be holding summer school for all students, from June 7-July 16, 2021. In order for each school to adequately prepare a master schedule, all students who would like to participate in Summer School for SY 2020-2021 will need to submit a Summer School Registration Form to their district school in which they are registered. **Registration form must be submitted to your child's school by Friday, May 7, 2021. You must submit one form for each child to his/her respective school.**

NOTE: There will be two models of instruction, Face to Face and Online. More Information regarding Summer School will be forthcoming.

ATTENDANCE

Please be reminded that attendance will still be taken and documented for all Models of Learning. Your child's homeroom teacher will be taking attendance on days they are providing Online (Mondays and Tuesdays), Face-to-Face (Wednesdays or Thursdays), and Hard Copy (Fridays) instruction to your child. Teachers will also be documenting students that pick up Hard Copy Learning Packets and submitting assignments. Feel free to communicate with your child's teacher/s should you need clarification regarding your child's attendance and/or schedule.

PreK-GATE

Happy May Mini-Marlin Families, The school year is almost over, but the learning does not stop HERE! This month our mini-marlins will be building skills and getting ready for Kindergarten! We will be reviewing letters and numbers through games and hands on activities. Students will also engage creative problem solving through STEM challenges and class projects. To play and learn, check out <https://pbskids.org/games> for FUN educational games!

As we bring our very unique school year to a close, I would like to THANK all our students and families for all your continuous support and enthusiasm for learning, whether through FFF or Online classes. I am so thankful to have been able to learn TOGETHER with your families!

SAVE THE DATE: Drive-through "Promote-and-Go" will be on Monday, May 17th from 11:00am - 12:00pm. Stay tuned for more details on this event!

KINDERGARTEN

Hafa Adai Parents/Guardians,

Our skills for May are the following: **Math-** Fluently Adding and Subtracting within 5, rote counting to 100, identifying numbers 0-30, More than and Less than; **ELA-** Sight words, CVC words, letter names and letter sounds Aa-Zz **Content-** Life Cycle of a Butterfly, Modes of Transportation (Water, Air, Land), Technology (Parts of a Computer/ Digital Equipment ex. cellphone, tablet, computer, television, camera). The Science and Social Studies common assessment will be on the Life Cycle of a Butterfly and Modes of Transportation. Study guides for these assessments have been provided. Your child's teacher will contact you to schedule a time/date for the 4th Quarter Assessments. **Kindergarten Grab and Go Promotional will be on Tuesday, May 18 2021 at 9:00am. More information to follow. Si Yu'us Ma'ase The Lil' Marlin Team**

FIRST GRADE

Hafa Adai Marlins! **Reminders:** Parents, if you still have any Reading textbooks, please return them during Friday distribution days. Also, please save the date: May 17, 2021 @ 9:00am to 10:30am. We will be having a First Grade Drive-Thru promotion! This month, we will continue with 4th quarter PSSTs: ELA: (Writing: W.1.5) With guidance and support from adults, focus on a topic, respond to questions and suggestions from peers, and add details to strengthen writing as needed. <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Qh7hCqyfaPs>;

<https://examples.yourdictionary.com/declarative-sentence-examples.html>; **ELA:** (Reading: RF.1.4.B) Read with sufficient accuracy and fluency to support comprehension.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=CTOF6vAqOls>

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=VxBEmaaSh1c&t=75s>; **Math:** (1.MD.3) Tell and write time in hours and half-hours using analog and digital clocks. (1.NBT.1) Count to 120, starting at any number less than 120. In this range, read and write numerals and represent a number of objects with a written numeral **Science:** (ESS1.B) Earth and the Solar System: 1. Seasonal patterns of sunrise and sunset can be observed, described, and predicted.

<https://www.fossweb.com/home> ; **Social Studies:** (1.3.2) Define and give examples of continents, land forms, and oceans. https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=rUMdKj_yZ7U

SECOND GRADE

Drive-By Promotional Ceremony: Tues., May 18 at 11AM.

Summer school is open to all students and is highly encouraged. Thank you for your continued support. Please spend time with your child practicing the following skills: **Reading:** Provide 75+ minutes of supervised Reading to enhance fluency and accuracy. **Math:** Add/subtract 3-digit numbers with regrouping. Practice one-step word problems. Find worksheets at math-aids.com **Language Arts:** Find a picture and write 5 sentences about that picture.

THIRD GRADE

Thank you parents, for your continued support. In reading, we will continue to work on comprehension and fluency as well as story sequence. In math, we will start focusing on word problems. In social studies, the students will be learning symbols that represent our country. Please continue to attend face-to-face classes, pick up packets, or log on to your online sessions. If you would like to have your child practice the parts of speech we suggest going to this

site: https://www.abcy.com/games/parts_of_speech

Our Drive-By Promotional Ceremony this year will be on Tues., May 18, 2021 at 1:00pm.

We will continue to check on your progress with phone calls and messages, but if you have any questions or concerns please feel free to email us. Stay safe, wear a mask and practice social distancing!

FOURTH GRADE

THANK YOU parents and guardians for your continued support throughout SY 2020-2021! We will continue to learn about graphic organizers and story reviews, division, and strengthen our writing skills. Our 4th Grade **GRAB & GO PROMOTIONAL CEREMONY** will be on Monday, May 24, 2021 at 11:00 a.m., in front of the school's main office. The attire for students will be Sunday's best. A parent letter will be sent out regarding the guidelines for our GRAB & GO Promotional. We are excited for the special event as much as you are, so we hope to see you there! Thank you! Recommended websites: www.math.aids.com, www.khanacademy.org, www.education.com 4th Grade Team, Mrs. Limtuatco, Mrs. Quilit, Dr. Laniyo

FIFTH GRADE

We would like to thank you for your continued support for your child's education and we are excited for all the new things we will learn in May! Listed are the main topics that your child will be learning this month:

Math: Add and subtract mixed numbers; **ELA:** Use underlining, quotation marks, or italics to indicate titles of words, explain the relationships or interactions between two or more individuals, events, ideas, or concepts in a historical, scientific, or technical text based on specific information in the text. Our 5th Grade Drive-By Promotional will be on May 24, 2021 at 9:00 a.m.

Please visit the following websites to help your child in what we are learning in ELA and Math:

<https://www.readworks.org/> <https://illuminations.nctm.org/>

Si Yu'us Ma'ase, Team 5th

CHAMORU K-5th

Hãfa Adai Parents/Guardians, for the month of May, we will be learning about Lihenden Guãhan (Legends of Guam). We appreciate your continued patience and support throughout this school year. If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Please check out the following link: https://youtu.be/01qYIZlc_84 about the legend: CHamoru Girl Who Saves Guahan

Saina Ma'ãse, Siñora Santos yan Siñot Quitugua

LIBRARIAN'S LINES

Summer is here!! Hurray!
Although school will be closed for the summer, except during Summer School, learning and reading can still continue. Below are some links that offer free ebooks to enjoy reading! There are more links on OPAC for reading and fun games. Also, be on the lookout for summer camps or activities at your community center. Keep active outdoors.
Enjoy your summer and we will see you next school year!



pbskids.org



getepic.com

Storyline Online

storyonline.net

ESL

Greetings Parents & Guardians! We hope that the recent Spring Break was enjoyable and a time to reflect upon new beginnings and setting higher goals in terms of your EL child's educational progress. A great starting point for positive change at the home-front could be to schedule a time exclusively for reading as a family during the Summer weekends. For example, on Saturdays, a new tradition could be that the entire household find a few good books to read for at least two hours (10:00am to 12:00pm). For younger children, being read to during this time can be a source of new information and an opportunity to build strong listening skills. Furthermore, this will send a clear and strong message about the importance of reading and its prioritized place in our daily lives, especially now that the use of hand-held electronic devices and desktop computers have seemingly overtaken genuine face-to-face interactions in all sectors of our society. Aside from this, it is important to note that throughout history some of the most intelligent and scholarly individuals were avid readers. A short but relevant article about family reading time can be found at http://www.huffpost.com/entry/family-activities-to-encourage-good-reading-habits_n_67773248. Walt Disney once said, "There is more treasure in books than in all the pirate's loot on Treasure Island." Thank you for always supporting your child! *Dr. Quitano and Ms. Casi.*

COUNSELOR'S CORNER

Greetings Marlins!
We're near the finish line of this very unique and extraordinary school year! I must say that it has been quite the experience to have been your counselor without being able to see and talk to each other physically. I want to take this time to tell all the parents/guardians of 5th graders congratulations on their promotion and to enjoy summer but remember to take the time to talk to your child about transitioning to middle school. Try to attend the schools orientation to get as much information as possible and of course my office and number are available so that I can assist you in any way possible. To the younger grades I wish you well during your summer vacation and I hope to see you again next year when things can return to the traditional model of learning, face to face. Remember to keep being safe, responsible, and respectful.

Resources/Activities for the Summer:

<https://www.actionforhappiness.org/calendars>

The calendars found here are packed with actions you can take to help create a happier and kinder world.

<https://www.parents.com/fun/activities/outdoor/cheap-summer-fun/>

The article lists free and (almost free) activities to do inside and outside the house.

<https://www.gdoe.net/District/Department/5-Curriculum-Instruction/Portal/summer-school-2021-support-page>

*Enroll your child in Summer School. Forms are due May 7, 2021

May Virtue "Perseverance" Always try even if it would be easier to give up

GIFTED AND TALENTED EDUCATION

Greetings, GATE families! Our GATers will continue to be Creative Problem Solvers by learning the engineering process step by step: Ask, Imagine, Plan, Create, Test, and Improve! In no time, they will be able to use this process when faced with a challenge. To learn more about the importance of creative problem solving, you may visit:

<https://www.kodable.com/learn/problem-solving-skills-for-kids/>.

Have a fun summer! See you all next school year!
Mrs. Cielito Rivera

SPECIAL EDUCATION

Hafa A dai, Marlins! What a year we have had! As we get closer to summer, please remember that it is important to continue to practice skills learned over the school year. Our students in the Special Education Program have improved their skills in letter and letter sound recognition, word reading and recognition, number recognition, quantity discrimination, and single-digit addition. They have also continued to adapt to this new version of learning.

Continue to learn over summer break, by checking out some fun activities on the Machananao Elementary School website: <http://machananaoelementaryschool.weebly.com/at-home-learning-resources.html>

Ms. Tenorio

SAFETY REMINDERS

The following points are guidance to safely send and receive resources between school and home during COVID 19. Also, please continue to wear a face mask over your nose and mouth, wash your hands often, and do not exit your vehicles when dropping off and/or picking up hard copy learning packets.

Families returning materials and/or assignments back to school:

- Instruct families that if they have an ill family member, not to participate, notify the school, and send a replacement such as a neighbor or a friend.
- Follow Friday Hard Copy pick up and drop off safety procedures and guidelines.
- Clean and disinfect tables and other equipment used in the pick up/drop off areas.
- Allow materials to sit for 24 hours before they are accessed by staff of paper materials, and 72 hours for electronic devices
- Staff should use gloves for moving the materials to an interior location.

Sending resources and/or assignments from school to families:

- Paper documents can be placed in large envelopes and/or folders. Use envelopes that have a tie or use tape/labels to secure. Do not use envelopes that require moisture to secure.
- Plastics, including electronic devices, should be disinfected according to manufacturer recommendations.
- Backpacks or cloth bags should be new or laundered if used.
- Materials should be prepared at least 24 hours in advance for paper materials, and 72 hours in advance for plastic materials.

NURSE'S NOTES

"Summer is here, and so is COVID-19, so please continue to wash your hands often, use hand sanitizer when soap and water are not available, wear a face mask over your nose and mouth, and physically distance yourself from others.

Health Requirement Reminders: Updated immunizations, physical exam records, and TB PPD skin test or TB clearance are required for all GDOE students entering Pre-K GATE, Headstart, Kindergarten, 6th grade, and 9th grade. Communicate with your healthcare provider to ensure that your child's immunizations, physical exams, and TB PPD skin test or TB clearance are up-to-date.

Practice healthy habits this summer and throughout the year: (1) Get at least 8 hours of sleep every night, (2) get more physically active every day by running, walking, or playing outside, (3) brush your teeth at least twice a day, (4) eat more fruits and vegetables, limit sugary drinks, (5) wear proper gear when playing sports, wear a seat belt while in motor vehicles and obey safety rules, (6) limit screen time to 2 hours or less, (7) drink more water, and (8) surround yourself with healthy relationships.

Beach and Pool Safety Tips: (1) learn to swim if you don't know how, (2) wear sunblock, a hat, and sunglasses, (3) always obey pool rules; walk slowly in the pool area, no horse-play (pushing, shoving, etc.), (4) get out of the water/pool as soon as you see or hear a storm, (5) before entering the water; shower to rinse off germs, (6) don't swallow pool water, it could make you sick, (7) always have an adult watch while you swim, and (8) swim with a buddy.

Have a safe and healthy fun summer.

Sincerely, Nurse Aaron



Community Learning Center

Available Services (Educational Use):
WIFI/LAPTOP/PRINTER/SCANNER

You may pre-register online at tinyurl.com/aaumg7ez or by calling the school at (671) 635-4381. Walk-ins are also welcome!

Hours of Operation:
Mondays, Tuesdays, and Fridays
*Closed on holidays.
3:30pm-7:00pm
Last call is at 6:45pm

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
2	Online MOL 3 <small>CLC @3:30pm-7pm, Cafeteria</small>	Online MOL 4 <small>CLC @3:30pm-7pm, Cafeteria</small>	Face to Face Session A 5 *FG A Meeting	Face to Face Session B 6	Grab & Go Meal AND Hard Copy Distribution 9:00am-12:00pm <small>CLC @3:30pm-7pm, Cafeteria</small>	1/8
9	Online MOL 10 <small>CLC @3:30pm-7pm, Cafeteria</small>	Online MOL 11 <small>CLC @3:30pm-7pm, Cafeteria</small>	Face to Face Session A 12 <small>Reverse Evacuation Drill: 9:00am-10:00am, 10:00am-10:30am</small> *FG BCD Meeting	Face to Face Session B 13 <small>Reverse Evacuation Drill: 9:00am-10:00am, 10:00am-10:30am</small> *FG E Meeting	Grab & Go Meal AND Hard Copy Distribution 9:00am-12:00pm <small>CLC @3:30pm-7pm, Cafeteria</small>	14 15
16	Online MOL 17 <small>Pre-K-GATE Promote-and-go, 10am-11am 1st Grade Drive-Thru Promotional, 9-10:30am</small> <small>CLC @3:30pm-7pm, Cafeteria</small>	Online MOL 18 <small>Grab and go Promotional: K-3rd Gr. 11am-3rd Gr. 1pm</small> <small>CLC @3:30pm-7pm, Cafeteria</small>	Face to Face Session A 19	Face to Face Session B 20	Grab & Go Meal AND Hard Copy Distribution 9:00am-12:00pm Disseminate 4th Qtr Report Cards <small>CLC @3:30pm-7pm, Cafeteria</small>	21 22
23	Online MOL 24 <small>END of 4th Qtr Last Day of Classes Grab and go Promotional: 4th Gr. 11am-5th Gr. 9am</small> <small>CLC @3:30pm-7pm, Cafeteria</small>	25 PTO Mtg via Zoom <small>CLC @3:30pm-7pm, Cafeteria</small>	26	27	Grab & Go Meal AND Hard Copy Distribution 9:00am-12:00pm <small>CLC @3:30pm-7pm, Cafeteria</small>	28 29
30	31 <small>CLC @3:30pm-7pm, Cafeteria</small>	<p>Monthly Virtue: PERSEVERANCE Always try even if it would be easier to give up.</p>				

*FG = Focus Group