

Marlin Tales



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

ADMINISTRATOR'S ADDRESS

THANKFULNESS, our virtue of the month! We don't need more to be THANKFUL for, we just need to be more THANKFUL. With that, we are THANKFUL for all of you parents and guardians who has been our partner in educating our children during this unique time. As our Thanksgiving Holiday approaches, this is an opportunity to teach our children the understanding and appreciation about the significance of family bonds, faith, and values. It is a time to reflect and confirm the importance of what this holiday really means. Most of all, we should always be thankful for all the blessings we have been given and for those who are less fortunate, we should take the time to assist in making this holiday season memorable for them. Remember the First Thanksgiving, the story of the Pilgrims and the hardships they endured. Thanksgiving is a celebration of America's abundance. From the First Thanksgiving,

it has always been about sharing. Let us be thankful and help make this holiday brighter for all! On behalf of the Marlin Family, we would like to thank the parents, guardians/families that we were able to communicate with during the 1st Quarter Parent-Teacher Conference (PTC) and took advantage of the opportunity to communicate with their child/children's Teachers. The table on the right shows the percentage of parents/guardians that were able to have a conference. It just goes to show even during these difficult times, you have made your child/children's education a priority. Thank you for continuing to get involved with your child/children's education. We are a team, we only want what's best for our children! Let us continue to work together to help our children succeed in school. It is recognized that parents are the first and most consistently influential teachers of their children. It is through the parents' involvement that children learn to value school, learning, work, relationships, and to use leisure time in constructive ways. **HAPPY THANKSGIVING!**

Grade	Enrollment	PTC Attendance	%
Kinder	32	27	84%
1st	77	68	88%
2nd	70	36	51%
3rd	93	72	77%
4th	70	49	70%
5th	68	43	63%
Total>>>	410	295	72%
Pre-K			
GATE	14	12	86%

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.
- Schedule pick-up times to spread out the number of people present at any given time to less than 10 persons.
- Clean and disinfect tables and other equipment used in the drop-off.
- 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.

ATTENDANCE

Although MES is teaching remotely, please be reminded that attendance will still be taken and documented. Your child's homeroom teacher will be taking attendance on days they are providing online and hard copy instruction to your child. Teachers will also be documenting students that pick up Hard Copy Learning Packets and submitting assignments during their scheduled day. Therefore, please ensure you are aware of your child's schedule throughout the school week so that he/she will be ready to learn! 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 November Mini Marlins Families, Thank you for a wonderful 1st quarter and for being our class's honorary teachers! You have all been instrumental in helping our mini-marlins progress and I look forward to this new quarter working with you all. This month, our weekly lessons and themes will continue to integrate all the GATE standards, BUT we will be taking it up a notch with how work is completed. Our Mini-Marlins will be learning about "craftsmanship" while drawing, coloring, or completing any of their work. The idea of craftsmanship is taking pride in our own work. It involves taking the time to complete assignments and making sure it is detailed, colored, and beautiful! However, it is just as important that our mini-marlins learn the difference between "accuracy" and "creativity" because sometimes it is OKAY to scribble outside the lines and explore the CREATIVE side of things! If you are looking for a way to extend your child's divergent thinking and creative problem solving skills BEYOND the monthly Maker Mats, please check out <https://pbskids.org/designsquad/build/spinner/>. They have awesome videos, games, and project ideas for kids of all ages! AND don't forget to check out our Virtual Circle Time posted in Seesaw!

KINDERGARTEN

Hafa Adai Lil' Marlins!

This month we will be focusing on Thanksgiving. Our Kindergarteners will learn the importance of giving thanks and eating healthy foods. In English Language Arts, we will continue to focus on identifying letter names and sounds, writing, reading sight words, rhyming words, and the initial and ending sounds in words. In Math, we will focus on comparing numbers between 0-20, number fluency for numbers 0-20, and rote counting to 50. Visit the following website for more on what we are learning this quarter:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=HaaYh3t14Hw>

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=5dR22hbln6w>

Together in Education, The Kindergarten Team

FIRST GRADE

Hafa Adai Marlins! November begins with new skills for the 2nd Quarter. Your child will be learning about nouns (1.L.1b), Math fact fluency (1.OA.6), community/government officials, and growth and change (plants/animals). First grade Teachers would like to remind parents/guardians to make sure you are following the lesson instructions and completing all assignments and activities in the Hard Copy lesson plans. **YouTube video titles to check out:**

What is a Noun? | Parts of Speech Song | Jack Hartmann

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=9cu7C07pNbA>

Let's Learn Our Addition Facts 1 | Addition Song for Kids | Math for Children | Jack Hartmann <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=uRoj5E-Xx9s>

Punctuation in English | Punctuation At The End Of A Sentence | 1st Grade - Kids Academy

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=gWhUnt3Mm4k>

SECOND GRADE

Thank you super star parents for attending our intervention meetings and Parent Teacher Conference. At home, please practice:

Reading: With an adult, practice vocabulary words 3x. Read for 45+ minutes daily.

Math: Add and subtract 2-3 columns with regrouping. Check www.math-aids.com

LA: Write 5 telling sentences about a given picture. Make sure to include a capital letter in the beginning and period at the end.

THIRD GRADE

Thank you parents, for your continued support. In Reading, we will not only have students answer questions, but have them create their own questions. In Math, we will continue rounding, and then move into adding and subtracting with regrouping. In Social Studies, the students will be learning about intermediate directions, and coordinates. In Science, we will be learning about the different habitats. Please continue to pick up packets, or log on to your online sessions. If you would like to have your child practice rounding go to this site: <https://www.topmarks.co.uk/maths-games/rocket-rounding>

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!

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Mr. Baisa H104 **Online sessions:** Mr. Baisa: Tuesdays & Thursdays 9:30am-10:30am Mrs. Maluwelmeng: Tuesdays & Thursdays 9:00am-10:00am

FOURTH GRADE

Thank you to all parents and guardians who attended the first Virtual Parent Teacher Conference on October 23, 2020. **Reading:** Your child will continue to learn about drawing inferences, "WH" Questions", and Story Elements. **English:** (Verbs) Action Verbs, Main/Helping Verbs, Subject-Verb Agreement, and Verb Tenses. Practice writing paragraph with correct format. **Math:** We will be working on Estimating sums and differences, adding and subtracting 2-4 digit numbers with and without renaming. We kindly ask that you encourage your child to do the Extra Practice or Drill activities provided in Math Lessons. Recommended websites: www.math.aids.com, www.education.com, www.math-drills.com

"TOGETHER IN EDUCATION"

Thanks for your continued support! Fourth Grade Team
Mrs. Limtuatco, Mrs. Quilit, & Mrs. Fuimaano

FIFTH GRADE

Hafa Adai Parents/ Guardians! We would like to thank you for your continued support for your child's education. Second quarter has just begun and we are excited for all the new things we will learn in November! Listed below are the main topics. We will be learning: **(Math)** Find whole number quotients of whole numbers with up to four-digit dividends and two-digit divisors using different strategies (equations, rectangular arrays, and/or area models) **(ELA)** Determine two or more main ideas of a text and explain how they are supported by key details; summarize the text form and use perfect tense. Use verb sequence to convey various times, sequences, states, and conditions Recognize and correct inappropriate shifts in verb tense. ELA and Math <https://www.jumpstart.com/>
<https://www.mathgoodies.com/>

Si Yu'us Ma'ase, Team 5th

CHAMORU K-5th

Hãfa Adai Parents/Guardians. We want to thank you all for your patience and assistance throughout the 1st Quarter with distance learning. For the month of November, we will be learning about Pãtten i Eskuela (Parts of the School), Taotao Eskuela (School Personnel), Fruta Siha (Fruits), and Gollai Siha (Vegetables). If you have questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact us. Once again, we appreciate your patience and support!

Nihi Kids - Hafa para ta tanom:
Farming <https://youtu.be/mTmodw76kqQ>
Saina Ma'ãse, Siñora Santos yan Siñot Quitugua

LIBRARIAN'S LINES

Hafa Adai Parents/Guardians,

I was so excited to receive awesome pictures by our Marlin Students and the activities that were completed. Thank you parents! I can't wait to see more! Please go on our school website to view the fantastic work your child(ren) completed and the new November Library Choice Board, which will be posted soon.

This month we will focus on: K-1st- Review Characters & Setting; Sequencing- Beginning, Middle & End; Fiction & Non-Fiction Books 2nd-5th- Review Who, what, when where, and why; Setting, Characters and Plot; Beginning, Middle, & End; Conflict, Climax, & Resolution.

November has several celebrations like Sandwich Day, Inventors' Day, Veterans' Day, World Kindness Day, and of course Thanksgiving Day. Hope you will be able to do some of the activities and share by emailing me at librariumachananao@gmail.com. I'm looking forward!

To access books, go to: 

Class Code: wpd9579 and 

Happy Reading!

Mrs. Arriola
School Librarian



Happy
Thanksgiving

COUNSELOR'S CORNER

Greetings Marlins,

I encourage you to continue seeking guidance from myself and your child's homeroom teacher. If your child is a hard copy student please inform your teacher or the main office if you would like to speak with me as I am not always on campus. If your child is online instruction then feel free to check on my Google classroom. I can invite you. E-mail me at cssantos@gdoe.net. (Hardcopy students if by chance you can get online then you can request to see the lessons there too!) Remember although the lessons I provide aren't graded they are there to help you learn to be a better student which in turn will get you better grades in the future!

November Virtue: Thankfulness, showing appreciation for what you have. You can show thankfulness by saying "Please" and "Thank You", by taking care of your belongings, and being content with what you have.

ESL

Hafa Adai Parents/Guardians!

First, the MES ESL program office would like to thank all ELL parents for their continued patience and for regularly communicating with their children's teachers, and being involved with school-related online activities and homework assistance/guidance. Although current restrictions/protocols limit parent-teacher face-to-face interaction, research has shown that communication on a regular basis allow for greater awareness of academic progress and challenges that students face with assignments and are better prepared to provide support from home. Also, this involvement sends a strong message to your child that you genuinely care about the effort they put toward learning and succeeding academically. Please read the following online article since it touches on the importance of family involvement, especially when schools reopen for face-to-face education: <https://blog.schoolspecialty.com/importance-family-involvement-education/>. Secondly, as the cavity-ridden Halloween spirits begin to reveal themselves and the holiday breaks draw closer, we ask that you continue to support your child's English language development by turning off televisions and electronic devices, having them interact with native English speakers at home, and by reading a couple of short-story books each day. English language proficiency will increase only when it is practiced and used in the most appropriate contexts! Thank you for your partnership in helping your child succeed!

-Dr. Quitano

GIFTED AND TALENTED EDUCATION

This month is dedicated to giving "thanks" to YOU and the reason why GATE continues at home. Through distance learning, you all have been very supportive of what GATE is about, the lessons I provide, and providing guidance to your child's learning and growing in the program. This month, your GATER is starting to learn how to be an *Effective Communicator*. Through this standard, your child will be able to speak comfortably in front of an audience, use materials to help him/her present, and evaluate himself/herself after a presentation. You can visit: <https://www.mathgenie.com/blog/how-to-help-your-child-be-a-better-public-speaker> to help your child become an effective communicator!

- Mrs. Cielito Rivera

SPECIAL EDUCATION

Hafa Adai, Mighty Marlins! Thank you for your continued support of your child's education during this time. This month, we will be working on the following to address the various Interim IEP Goals and Objectives of our students in the Special Education Program:

ELA – letter names and sounds, sight word recognition, spelling

Math – number identification, rote counting, quantity discrimination.

Parents, the following is the link to GDOE's Special Education Division website for parent information:

<https://www.gdoe.net/District/Department/2-Special-Education/2217-Parent-Information.html>

Stay safe, Mighty Marlins! – Ms. Tenorio

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Hard Copy Distribution Schedule

Grade Level	Hard Copy Distribution Day	Time
Kindergarten, Pre-K GATE, Headstart & 5 th Grade	Tuesday	8:30a.m. – 11:00a.m.
1 st , 3 rd Grade & GATE	Wednesday	8:30a.m. – 11:00a.m.
2 nd & 4 th Grade	Thursday	8:30a.m. – 11:00a.m.
Grab & Go Meal Distribution (to students enrolled at MES)		
Friday's		9:00a.m. – 12:00p.m.
All vehicle occupants must be wearing a mask upon entry on campus and must not exit their vehicles.		



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Online Live Schedule:
1	All Soul's Day ²	School Professional Development ³	Session B ⁴ <small>Focus Group A Meeting</small>	Session C ⁵	6 Grab & Go Meal Distribution 9:00am-12:00pm	Pre-K GATE Monday/Wednesday Group 1 9:00-9:30 Group 2 10:00-10:30 Optional: Friday Fun
8	Session A ⁹	Session B ¹⁰	11 Veteran's Day <small>Focus Group BCD Meeting Focus Group E Meeting</small>	Session C ¹²	13 Grab & Go Meal Distribution 9:00am-12:00pm	Kindergarten: F104 Session A 8:45-9:45 & 11:45am-12:45pm Session B 8:45-9:45 & 11:45am-12:45pm
15	Session A ¹⁶	Session B ¹⁷	Session C ¹⁸ <small>Focus Group A Meeting</small>	Session A ¹⁹	20 Grab & Go Meal Distribution 9:00am-12:00pm	1 st Grade: E102 Monday/Wednesday 12:45pm-1:45pm Tuesday/Thursday 8:45am-9:45am
22	Session B ²³	Session C ²⁴	Session A ²⁵ <small>Focus Group BCD Meeting Focus Group E Meeting</small>	26 Thanksgiving Holiday	27 Flexible Make up Day 1	2 nd Grade: D102 Session A, B, C 8:30am-9:30am
29	Session B ³⁰	Monthly Virtue: Thankfulness I show appreciation for what I have.		Hard Copy Instruction: Teachers who are not providing online instruction will be providing hard copy instruction via phone calls throughout the week. Please see grade level section for detailed information.		3 rd Grade: H104: Session C 9:30-10:30 H103: Session C 9:00-10:00
						4 th Grade: C102: Session A 8:45am-10:45am C103: Session A&B 8:30am-9:45am
						5 th Grade: B101: Session A&C Start at 9am