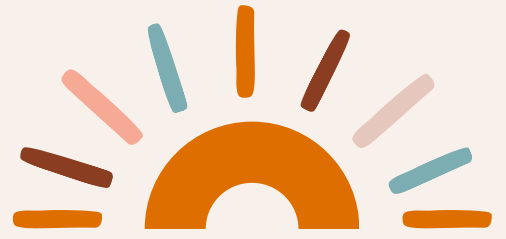


FIRST GRADE



NEWSLETTER

SEPTEMBER
2025

What We Are Learning

LANGUAGE ARTS

Unit 3: Changes Over Time

In this unit, students learn how things change over time by reading stories and informational texts about time, growth, and seasons. They build phonics skills with long vowel sounds (like a_e and i_e), plus soft c/g and dge spelling patterns. Comprehension lessons emphasize putting events in order and spotting cause and effect. Students also practice writing using present-tense verbs and explore word forms like plurals and verb endings.

SOCIAL STUDIES

Long Ago and Now

Students are going to compare how clothing, schools, technology, transportation, and homes have changed over time. They'll discover what life was like in the past, how it is different today, and what has stayed the same.

MATH

Unit 4 Leapfrogs on the Number Line

This unit highlights the number line as a key model for understanding numbers and operations. Students learn to locate and reason about numbers, solve for unknowns, and explore addition and subtraction. The number range expands from 0–20 up to 0–120, with practice skip-jumping by 5s and 10s. The unit concludes with measuring penguins, comparing and ordering measurements, writing inequalities, and finding differences.

SCIENCE

From Seed to Table

We are learning about plants and how they grow. Students explore the plant life cycle—from seed to sprout to full-grown plant—and discover what plants need to survive. They also learn how food travels from the farm to our tables, connecting science to their everyday lives.

Reminders

- If you haven't yet sent in your child's supplies for this term, please do so at your earliest convenience.
- Please make sure to write your child's name in romaji on all his/her belongings.

Upcoming

- September 15-National Holiday
(Respect for the Aged Day)
- September 23 - National Holiday
(Autumnal Equinox)
- October 3 - Learning Fair

FIRST WEEK



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Our students have happily settled back into their regular routines! During the mornings, they are actively engaged in centers for math and language arts, allowing them to explore concepts in a hands-on and collaborative way. In the afternoons, students enjoy their specialists' classes, which include art, music, physical education, and more.

On top of all this, preparations for our upcoming Learning Fair presentations are underway, and the students are excited to showcase their knowledge and hard work. It's wonderful to see them learning, growing, and having fun every day!

