# Before We Begin:

- Look through papers on desk – Pull out student handbook and sign back page. Please turn into gray tray when finished.

- **<u>Register as a Volunteer</u>**: You must register every year in order to volunteer in classroom or on field trips (instructions are by the computers!)
- write down any questions you already have Use the

sticky notes and I will try to answer them at the end of my presentation or I will collect at the end and answer them via email!

### Leave a note to your child on their desk -

You can use the sticky notes to leave them a note of encouragement to surprise them in the morning ©



## Teacher Introduction <u>A Quick Favor</u>:

Please save all questions until the end.

Please feel free to write down any questions you have during the presentation on a sticky note!

I will try my best to answer as many as I can at the end. If we run out of time, I will answer via email and/or the website! ©

## Instructional Tools and Resources

- Big Universe
- Thinking Maps
- Classroom Devices (Chromebooks and iPads)
  - \*we are now a 3-1 device classroom!\*
- BYOD
  - Devices must be registered
  - every year
  - Please go to the MES website
  - and click on Parent/Student copy

All of these can be used at home!

### ANNOUNCEMENTS



Parent/Student copy of BYOD Parent Letter



# "Think Pifferent"

21<sup>st</sup> Century Classroom - Providing opportunities for students to engage in real world problem solving and skills using:

# "The 4 C's"

Communication Creativity Critical Thinking Collaboration



# Learning Targets

Learning Targets are used to help kids understand WHAT they are LEARNING not just what they are DOING!

At the beginning of the lesson, the teacher will say "Today our learning target is *I can ask and answer questions based on the information I find in the book!*" (posted in What We are Learning) Remember to ask your child... "What did you learn today?" Instead of ... "How was your day?"

# Literacy

### EL Education

### 1. The Primacy of Self-Discovery

Learning happens best with emotion, challenge, and the requisite support. People discover their abilities, values, passions, and responsibilities in situations that offer adventure and the unexpected. In EL Education schools, students undertake tasks that require perseverance, fitness, craftsmanship, imagination, self-discipline, and significant achievement. A teacher's primary task is to help students overcome their fears and discover they can do more than they think they can.

### 2. The Having of Wonderful Ideas

Teaching in EL Education schools fosters curiosity about the world by creating learning situations that provide something important to think about, time to experiment, and time to make sense of what is observed.

### 3. The Responsibility for Learning

Learning is both a personal process of discovery and a social activity. Everyone learns both individually and as part of a group. Every aspect of an EL Education school encourages both children and adults to become increasingly responsible for directing their own personal and collective learning.

### 4. Empathy and Caring

Learning is fostered best in communities where students' and teachers' ideas are respected and where there is mutual trust. Learning groups are small in EL Education schools, with a caring adult looking after the progress and acting as an advocate for each child. Older students mentor younger ones, and students feel physically and emotionally safe.

### 5. Success and Failure

All students need to be successful if they are to build the confidence and capacity to take risks and meet increasingly difficult challenges. But it is also important for students to learn from their failures, to persevere when things are hard, and to learn to turn disabilities into opportunities.

## Literacy

### **EL Education**

### 6. Collaboration and Competition

Individual development and group development are integrated so that the value of friendship, trust, and group action is clear. Students are encouraged to compete, not against each other, but with their own personal best and with rigorous standards of excellence.

### 7. Diversity and Inclusion

Both diversity and inclusion increase the richness of ideas, creative power, problem-solving ability, and respect for others. In EL Education schools, students investigate and value their different histories and talents as well as those of other communities and cultures. Schools and learning groups are heterogeneous.

### 8. The Natural World

A direct and respectful relationship with the natural world refreshes the human spirit and teaches the important ideas of recurring cycles and cause and effect. Students learn to become stewards of the earth and of future generations.

### 9. Solitude and Reflection

Students and teachers need time alone to explore their own thoughts, make their own connections, and create their own ideas. They also need to exchange their reflections with other students and with adults.

### **10. Service and Compassion**

We are crew, not passengers. Students and teachers are strengthened by acts of consequential service to others, and one of an EL Education school's primary functions is to prepare students with the attitudes and skills to learn from and be of service.

# Literacy

### **EL Education**

Module I Overcoming Learning Challenges Near and Far	Module 2: Adaptations and the wide world of Frogs	Module 3: Exploring Literary Classics	Module 4: water Around the world
<b>Unit 1:</b> Reading Literary Texts: Overcoming Challenges – School and Education	Unit 1: Reading and Writing Narratives: Poems and Pourquoi Tales about Frogs	<b>Unit 1:</b> Analyzing Author's Craft: Character Development of Peter Pan	<b>Unit 1:</b> Building Background Knowledge: Water Around the World
<b>Unit 2:</b> Reading and Writing to Inform: Overcoming Learning Challenges - Books	<b>Unit 2:</b> Building Background Knowledge: Frogs and Research Process	<b>Unit 2:</b> Writing Grounded in Evidence: An Opinion of <u>Peter Pan</u>	<b>Unit 2:</b> Developing an Opinion: The Importance of Water Conservation
<b>Unit 3:</b> Writing to Inform: Overcoming Learning Challenges - Reading	<b>Unit 3:</b> Using Writing to Inform: Freaky Frog Text	<b>Unit 3:</b> Reading Like a Writer: Revising Scenes from <u>Peter Pan</u> .	<b>Unit 3:</b> Call to Action: Solutions to Water Issues

Math

## Math Block Set-up:

\*Whole group lessons

- Fluency Practice
- Homework Review

\*Mini-lessons (10-15 mins)

\*Math practice rotations:

-Students will work on math activities in small groups

### \*Small Groups:

-Differentiated practice

## Curriculum

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	First Quarter			Second Quarter			
Unit	Building Mathematical Community & Understanding Equal Groups	Using Data to Solve Problems	Stories with Addition & Subtraction	Stories with Addition & Subtraction (cont'd)		Sense of on & Division	Reasoning with Shapes and their Attributes
Standards Assessed	NC.3.OA.1 NC.3.OA.3 NC.3.OA.9	NC.3.MD.3	NC.3.OA.8 NC.3.NBT.2	NC.3.OA.8 NC.3.NBT.2	NC.3.OA.1 NC.3.OA.2 NC.3.OA.3 NC.3.OA.6	NC.3.OA.7 NC.3.OA.8 NC.3.OA.9 NC.3.NBT.3	NC.3.G.1
Big Ideas on the Elementary Report Card	<ul> <li>Represent and solve problems involving multiplication and division.</li> <li>Multiply and divide within 100.</li> <li>Represent and interpret data.</li> <li>Use place value understanding and properties of operations to perform multi- digit arithmetic.</li> </ul>			<ul> <li>Use place value understanding and properties of operations to perform multi- digit arithmetic.</li> <li>Solve problems involving the four operations, and identify and explain patterns in arithmetic.</li> <li>Understand properties of multiplication and the relationship between multiplication and division.</li> <li>Multiply and divide within 100.</li> <li>Reason with shapes and their attributes.</li> </ul>			
	Third Quarter			Fourth Quarter			
Unit	Applying the Operations Perimeter	to Area & Understand	ding Fractions as Parts of a Whole	Using Tools to Measure Ler and Capacity	ngth, Weight,	Un	derstanding Time

Unit	Applying the Operations to Area & Perimeter	Understanding Fractions as Parts of a Whole	Using Tools to Measure Length, Weight, and Capacity	Understanding Time	
Standards Assessed	NC.3.MD.5 NC.3.MD.7 NC.3.MD.8	NC.3.NF.1 NC.3.NF.2 NC.3.NF.3 NC.3.NF.4	NC.3.MD.2	NC.3.MD.1	
Big Ideas on the Elementary Report Card	<ul> <li>Geometric measurement: understand multiplication and to addition.</li> <li>Geometric measurement: recognize p and distinguish between linear and are</li> <li>Develop understanding of fractions as</li> </ul>	erimeter as an attribute of plane figures a measures.	<ul> <li>Solve problems involving measurement and estimation of intervals of time, liquid volumes, and masses of objects.</li> <li>Solve problems involving the four operations, and identify and explain patterns in arithmetic.</li> </ul>		



Science Plan Units Covered this year:

\*Bones, Muscles and Skin

\*Matter: Structure, Properties, and Change

\*Force and Motion

\*Earth in the Universe and Earth Systems

\*Plants & Soil

# Social Studies

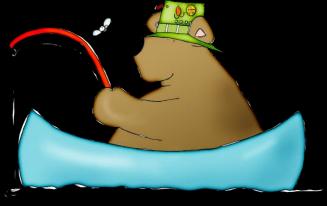
## 4 Third Grade Social Studies Units:

- Civics and Government
- Geography, Environmental Literacy and Culture
- Economic and Financial Literacy
- History and Colonial America



# Pifferentiation

- Students will work in small groups with the teacher and each other.
- Students will receive one on one or small group instruction for intervention or enrichment in reading, writing, and math



# Policies and Procedures

Refer to MES website under "Parent" tab - "Policies and Procedures"

- Absents and Tardies
  - walk child in to sign in when running late
  - Instruction begins right at 9:15 AM
  - Let me know when you will be absent
- Eating Lunch with your child
- Check out no later than 3:15



# Lunch.Shack.Birthdays

You may come to eat with your child at any time! However, you may only take YOUR child outside to eat.

please send in a healthy snack for your child! we eat our snack during literacy time.

You may send in a "treat" for your child's birthday. Please let me know if you plan to bring in a snack for the class so we can expect you. I also need to be able to contact parents whose child has specific allergies. This will allow the parents to be able to send in an alternative snack if needed. Please do not send in birthday invitations unless for entire class!

# · Classroom Behavior:

- We will be using **tickets** for the first half of the year. This enforces positive behaviors based on the classroom rules. Each student works towards goals set throughout the year. Tickets may be taken away when not following the rules of the classroom.

# Classroom Procedures

• whole Class Behavior:

• "Apples" for the MES Chart:

Whole class behavior in hallway, specials, lunch, recess, etc.
Once we fill up our MES poster, we get a class reward that we have voted on as a class!

# Classroom Procedures

## •HIKERS guide:

## •Sections:

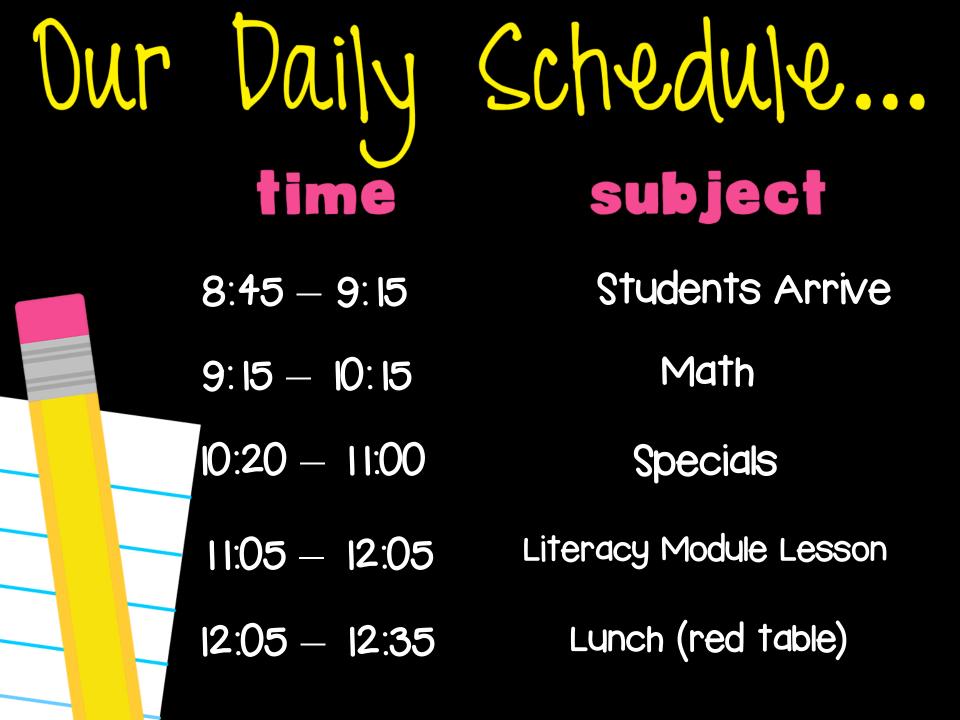
- •Agenda
- •Homework Folder
- •Divider Sections
  - •Classroom Info (resources)
  - •Quarter 1
  - •Quarter 2
  - •Quarter 3
  - •Quarter 4

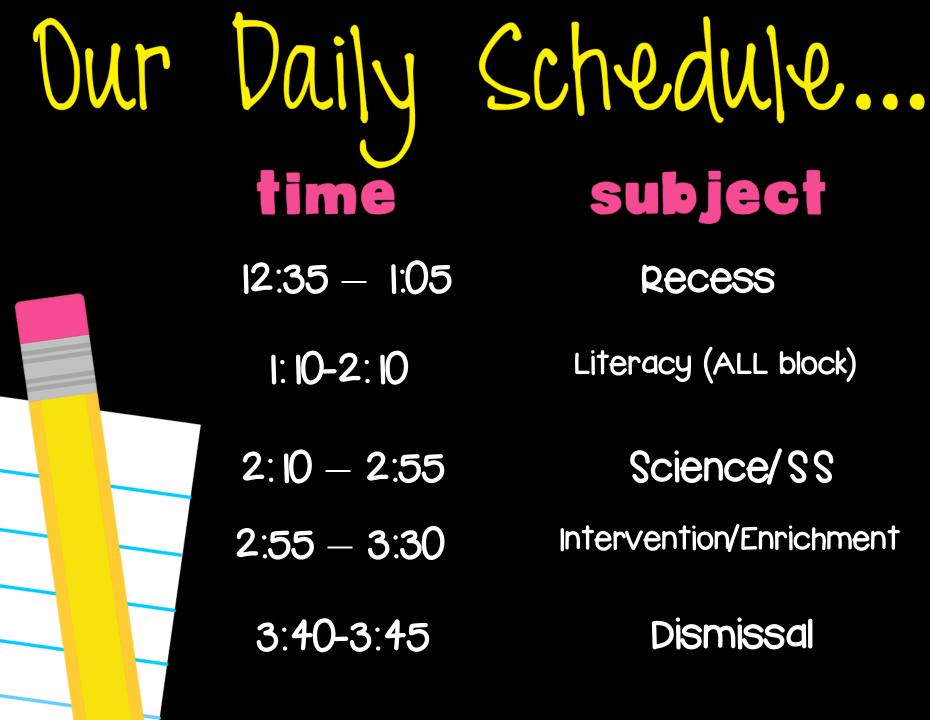


## •HIKERS guide: •Data:

## •Data Walls Common Assessments

 Look for and initial new data, graphs, and common assessments





# Classroom Website

• Classroom Updates:

- Calendar
- •what we are Learning
- •Emails on Fridays about upcoming week
- •Resources:
  - Class Info
  - Subject Resources (Literacy, Math)
  - Common Core links

\* I am available via Email — limited during the day

# Testing Schedule

### Beginning of Grade (BOG) - July 25th (Wed)

- scores will be returned by the end of July
- everyone will be tested
- test is online

### **Read to Achieve** (determined from BOG score)

mClass Reading Testing

- three times a year (BOY, MOY, EOY)
- assesses fluency & comprehension
- DORF, DAZE, TRC
- TRC has been updated chance of change in level

### Cog-At Testing - TBD

- everyone will be tested

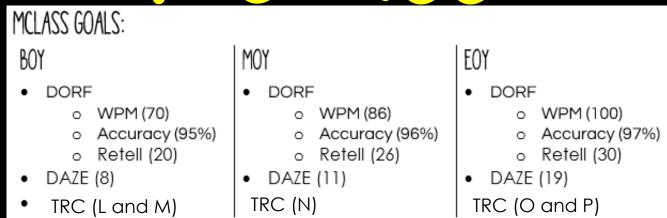
### ITBS Testing - TBD

- selected students will be tested

End of Grade (EOG) - TBD

- everyone will be tested

# mClass

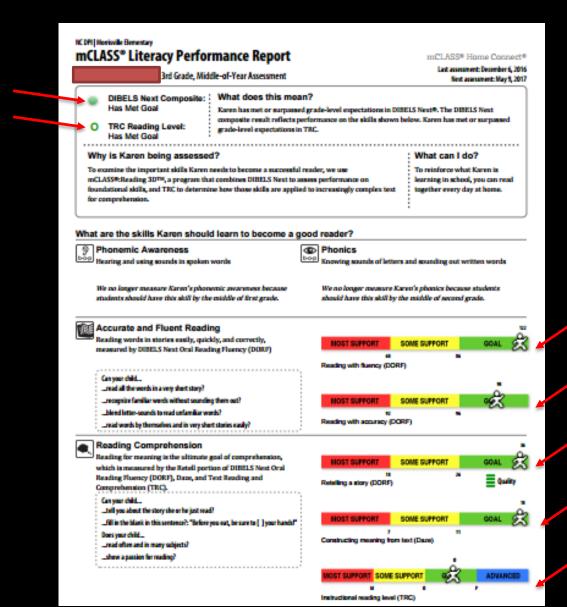


<u>What is TRC?</u> Students will read a book on his/her reading level. After reading the book, students will be asked to answer 4 oral questions about the book. After correctly answering oral questions, your child will move on to the next level. Once the child has settled on a reading level, they will complete a written response.

<u>What Is DORF?</u> Students will read 1-3 passages to see how many words he/she can read in a minute (accurately). Students will then tell about what they have read in the story to see if they are able to capture at least 3 details and the main idea of what they have read.

What is DAZE? DAZE is only monitoring during official mClass windows, not progress monitoring. DAZE gives students a passage that has words left blank. Students will be given the choice of three words, and they will have to correctly circle the one that makes sense in the story.

# mClass Home Conhect



# Classroom Assessments

Grade Level Common Assessments

Continuously check your child's HIKERS guide behind the current quarter for grades on assessments!

<u>PLEASE</u> do not remove any of their common assessments out of their binders!



# Homework Assignments

## Nightly Expectations:

\*\*Homework will be recorded in agenda!

• Read at least 20 minutes:

Independent Reading, Journal, Vocabulary Log

- Math: igodol
  - 2-3 minutes Math Fact Practice
  - Math Sheet

### Assigned Homework $\bullet$

- Any other nightly assigned HW should be written in agendas daily.

## Interims

## Report Cards

## Conferences

- Interims are sent out around the 5<sup>th</sup> week of the quarter.
  - **Report cards** Check the calendar on our class website for updates. I will also be sending home reminders at the end of each quarter.
    - <u>Conferences</u> will be scheduled during Quarter 2 and Quarter 4.

## How to help your child at home:

• Check your child's HIKERS guide and discuss their work from Friday Folders with them, as needed.

 Check your child's HIKERS guide often and discuss any "homework helpers", weekly work, or common assessments with them.

• Practice <u>math facts</u> at home using the practice page in their HIKERS guide. Multiplication/division will start very soon! (This is placed in a page protector so they can practice with a dry erase marker!)

• Read with your child **EVERY NIGHT**! Have them read a book to you and spend some time reading to them. Have them read a variety of texts (fiction & nonfiction): books, magazines, newspapers, articles, etc. ALWAYS ask questions about the text before, during, and after they have read!!!

# Questions?

