

VALVERDE VIEW

Valverde Elementary February Newsletter



Happy Valentine's Day from your Valverde Jaguars!

The students had a blast celebrating love, kindness and friendship on Monday! This month we are also celebrating Black History Month and highlighting many of our special students as well as famous Black authors, politicians, artists, musicians, scientists, officers, and more! Check out some of the students' artwork in the style of Tyree Guyton and Jean-Michel Basquiat (shout out to Mrs. Barboza for her creativity and inspiring our young artists in the art room!)



UPDATES FROM OUR CLASSROOMS ECE

Hi families! Our ECE students are busy learning how to draw shapes, recognize letters and numbers, and practicing their fine motor skills! We are so excited about our upcoming visit to the zoo. We are going to learn so many new facts about zoo animals and their habitats!!!

KINDER

Hi Kinder families, In literacy Kindergarten is working on retelling stories, including characters, setting, beginning, middle and end. In math we are learning about addition, solving and writing equations with the help of manipulatives. We had a blast celebrating the 100th day of school!

1ST

In Reading we are practicing our reading strategies of asking and answering questions and visualizing to learn more about animals and what they are like. In Math we will be learning more about how to solve story problems and find missing numbers in addition and subtraction equations. In Social Studies we are focusing on Black History Month by highlighting important African American women and men.

2ND

Reading: We are working in Realistic Fiction using the graphic organizer to compare/ contrast characters and events in the story. Also we are working in expository texts to recognize main ideas and key details. In Math we are working in using place value to solve addition/ subtraction word problems. Also we are using place value to read/ represent three digit numbers.



5th graders reading with 1st graders on our 100th day celebration 100 book read-a-thon!

5TH

Reading: We just finished writing realistic fiction stories. We are beginning to study argumentative texts, paying attention to what makes a good argument and how we can cite evidence.

Math: We are working on multiplying and dividing fractions

Social Studies: We are studying the American Revolution

Science: In science, we will begin studying Earth Systems

SPECIALS

In Art we have finished our project for Black History Month. We created artwork inspired by black artists. Pictures of all the artwork will be posted in Seesaw so everyone can see the art your student(s) created.

In music class we have been featuring, learning and listening to Black musicians and role models for Black history month. We have also started our keyboard lab K- 5th grade. We are getting ready to specialize in instruments per grade level. Percussion, xylophones, keyboards, recorders, ukeleles and guitars!

In PE Class, students from K-2 have focused on hitting objects and hand-eye coordination with tennis racket, noodles, and hockey sticks. In 3rd -5th grade we are focusing on cardiovascular fitness.

3RD

In 3rd grade reading we are working on Realistic Fiction. We will be learning about how we can use what we know to help others. In math, we will be focusing on fact families, division, area, and perimeter.

4TH

Reading: We will be reading about the government and we will be looking at cause and effect in different texts. We will also ask and answer questions as we are reading. In math we are studying line plots, area and perimeter, and multiplication and division!



Keyboarding skills in music class!

UPCOMING EVENTS

February 25th - 5th Grade Ski Trip

February 28th - March 4th - Literacy Spirit Week

March 22nd - March 24th - CMAS Testing

March 28th - April 1st - Spring Break