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# Welcome to Curriculum Chat

2025-2026





# What PIA is All About



*Pine Island Academy*

**W**e are respectful

- Follow adult directions
- Use appropriate voice level



**A**lways responsible and safe

- Take care of school spaces
- Be in control of your actions

**V**alue each other and ourselves

- Show kindness

**E**veryone achieves

- Find an adult if you need help

*Catch the **WAVE** of Success*





# Procedures

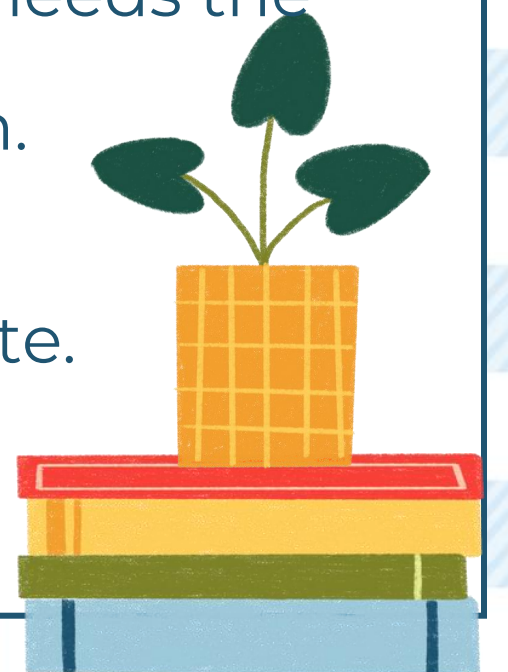
**Attendance:** It is important that your child be in class every day that is possible. School begins at 8:00 AM and dismisses at 2:20 PM. Wednesday dismissal is one hour earlier.

**Tardiness:** A child is considered tardy after 8:01 AM. If for some reason you are tardy, please escort your child into the office to obtain a tardy slip.

**Absence:** Please send in a note with your child or submit via the [PIA Digital Absentee](#) form found on the PIA website when returning to school following an illness. The office needs the excuse in writing for their records. Make up work will be given upon return.

**Medication:** A [form](#) is required and may be obtained from the school website.

**Dress Code:** Please refer to the Student Code of Conduct.



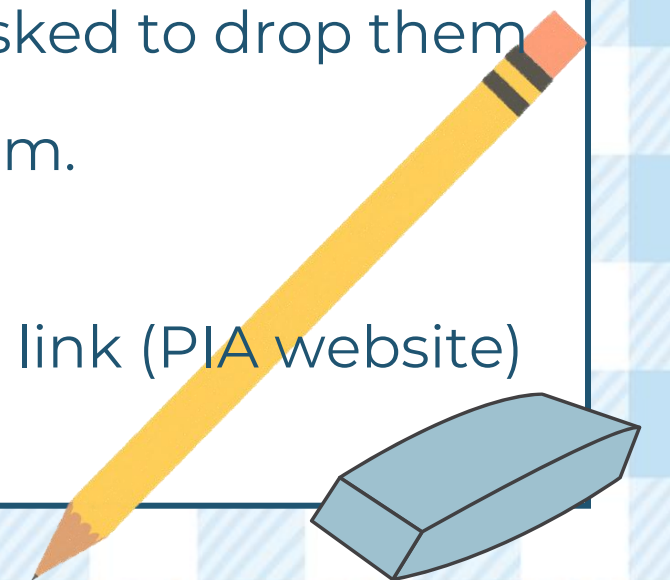
# Procedures

**Excused Absences:** When your child is absent from school, please remember that our registrar must be notified via handwritten note or in email. Excuse notes can ONLY be accepted within 48 hours of a student returning to school, however, this does not necessarily mean the absence will be excused. Family vacations, birthday parties, shopping trips, suspension from school, and other avoidable absences are unexcused.

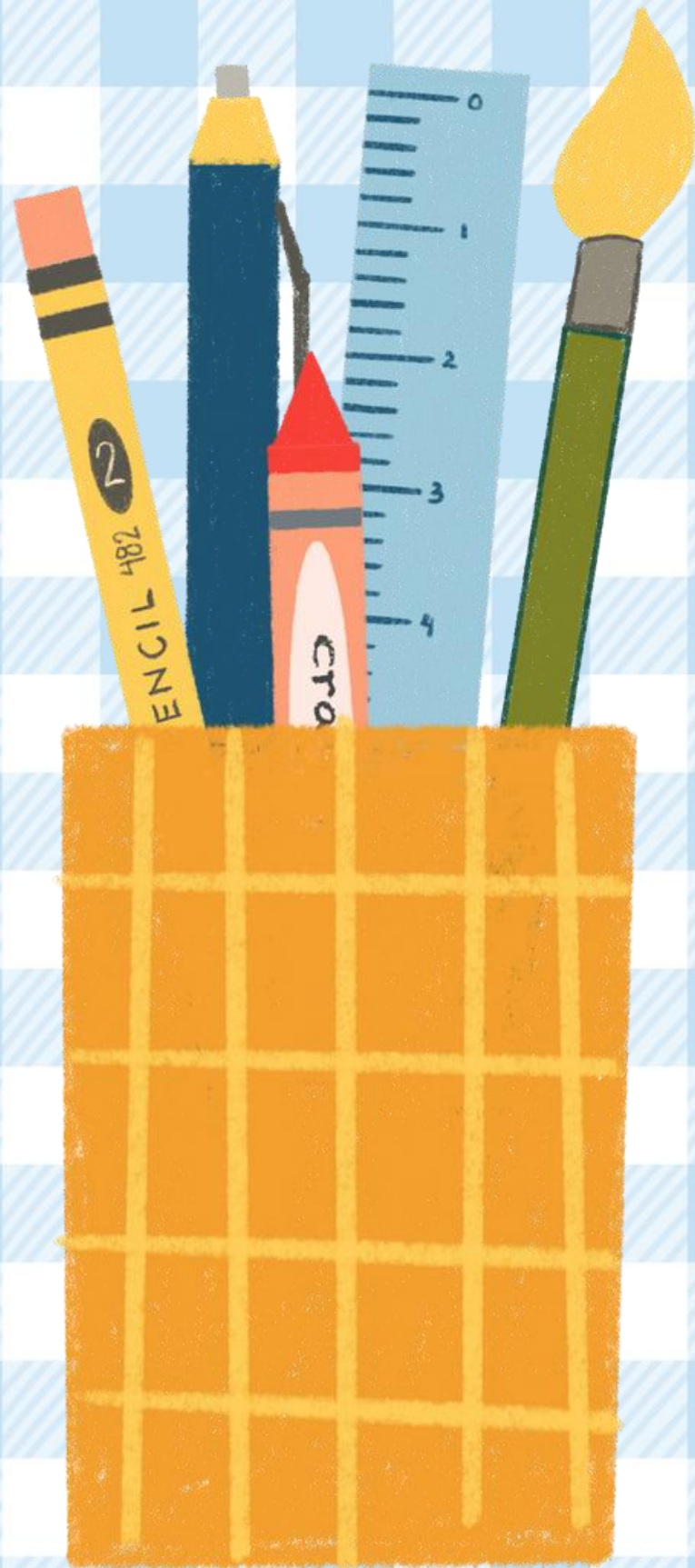
**Electronic Devices and Acceptable Use:** Electronic devices, including cell phones, smart phones, and smart watches should be OFF and AWAY during school hours, unless otherwise directed by an adult. Please refer to the district's [Acceptable Use Policy](#) or the Student Code of Conduct for more information.

**Birthdays:** Only STORE bought treats are allowed to be sent into the classroom. Parents are asked to drop them off at the front office. Parents will not be allowed to bring treats to the classroom.

**Transportation Changes:** All transportation changes need to be submitted via transportation link (PIA website) PRIOR to the deadline.







# Volunteers

Families will have opportunities to volunteer within the school.


**Please make sure you have opted in to receive the weekly  
PIA family newsletter from Mrs. Riedl.**

Only APPROVED volunteers with proper ID are allowed access  
through the front office and into the building.

**Please complete a volunteer application which can be  
obtained through our PIA website.**



# Communication

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- You can best contact your teacher by email.
    - You may also send in notes via the daily communication folder.
  - For urgent matters during the day, call the front office and they can call down to the classroom.

**IT IS IMPORTANT TO NOTE THAT ST. JOHNS COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT TEACHERS HAVE UP TO 48 SCHOOL HOURS TO RESPOND TO AN EMAIL. PLEASE DO NOT SUBMIT TIME SENSITIVE CONCERNS, SUCH AS TRANSPORTATION CHANGES VIA EMAIL.**



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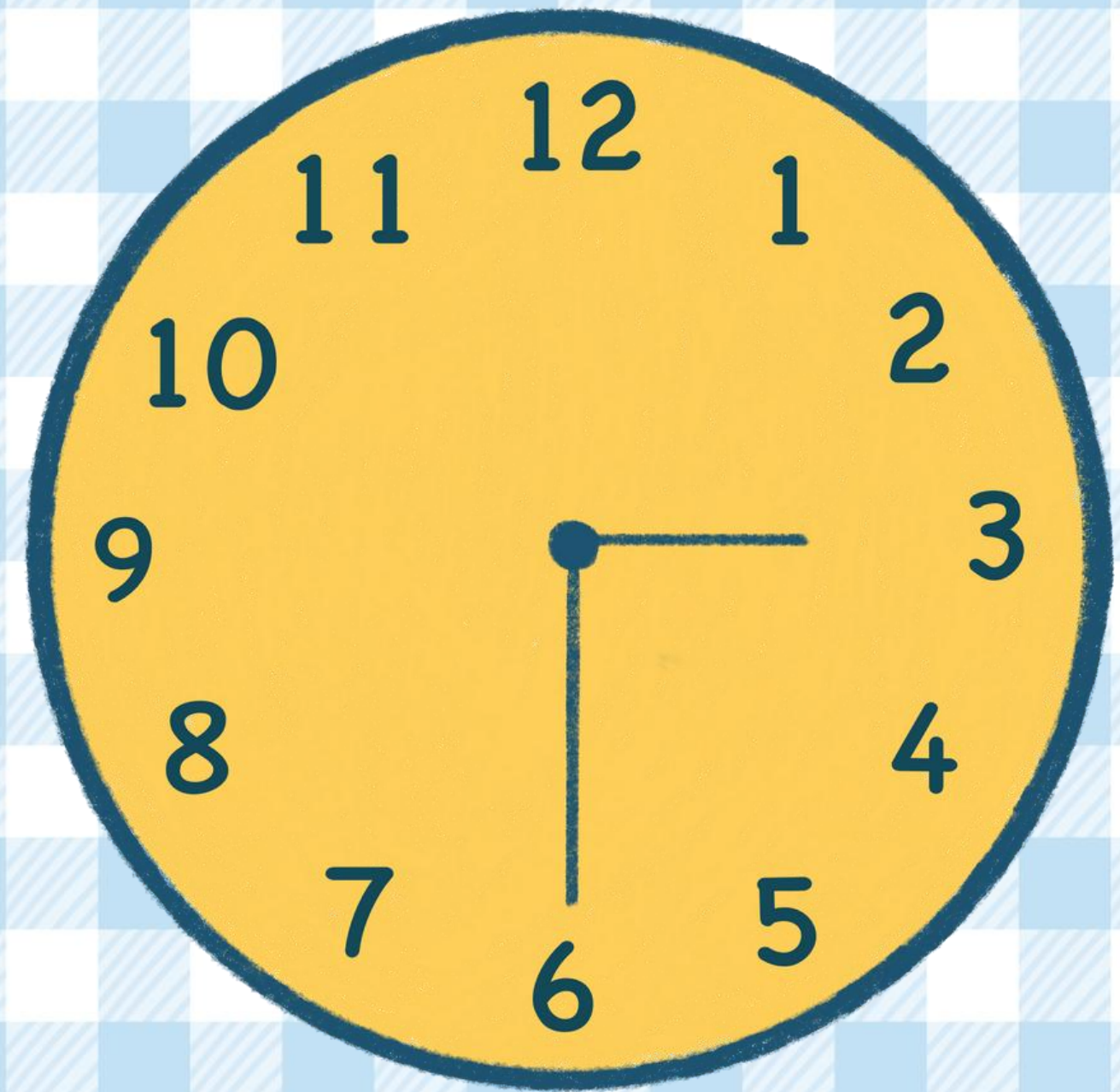
# Curriculum

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# Daily Schedule

- Literacy Block- 90 minute
- Lunch -30 minute
- Math Block- 60 minute
- Resource- 40 minute
- Science/Social Studies Block- 20 minute
- Teacher-Led P.E.

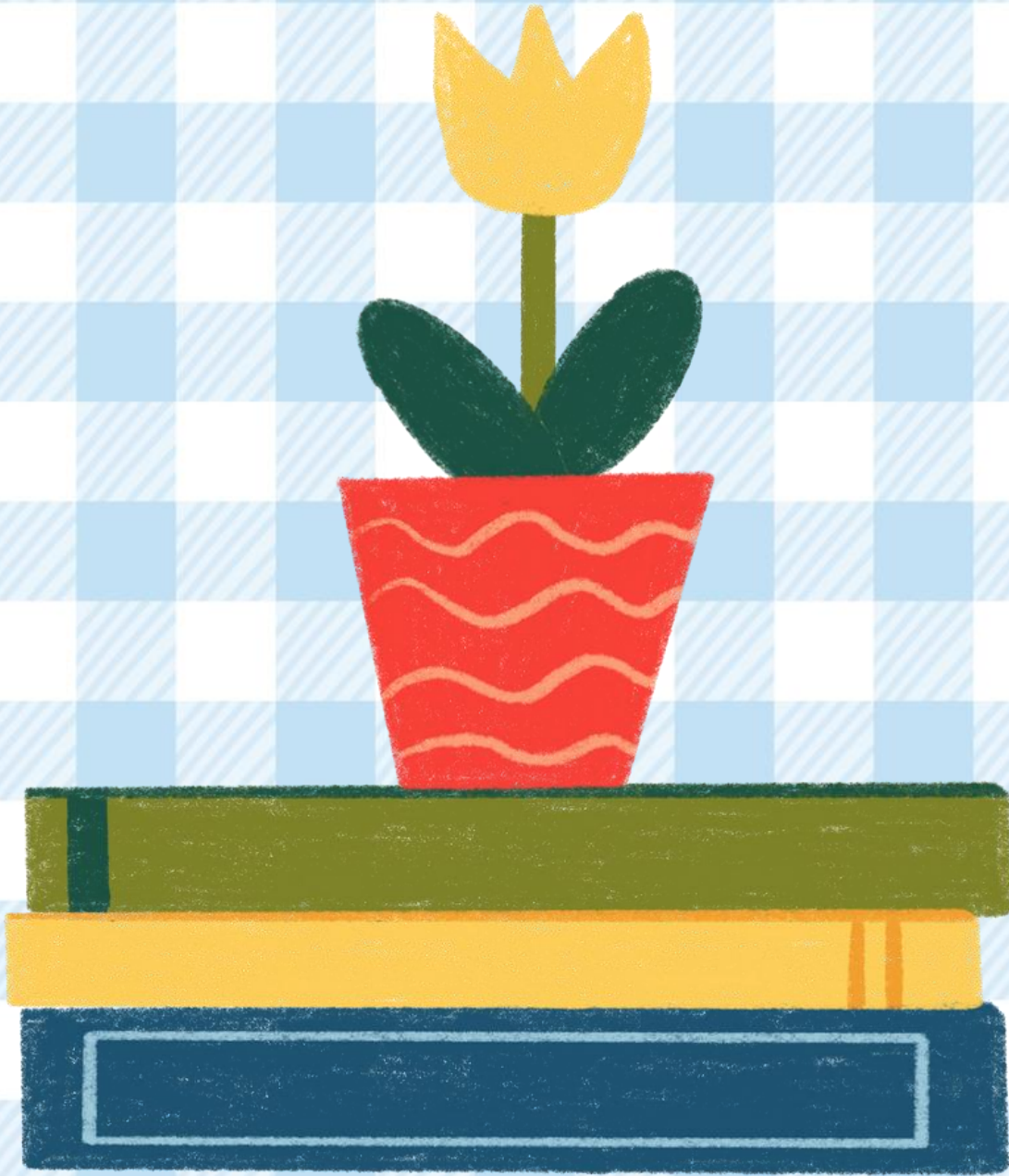




# Literacy Block

**Language Arts instruction is comprised of:**

- Reading Foundations  
(Phonemic Awareness, Phonics)
- Literature
- Informational Text
- Writing
- Language (Conventions, Vocabulary)





# Math Block

## **Math instruction is comprised of:**

- Calendar (Months, Days, Place Value)
  - Number Talks
  - Standards covered:
    - Numbers & Operations
    - Algebra & Algebraic Expressions
    - Geometry
    - Measurement





# Science & Social Studies

## Science

- The Practice of Science: Using the 5 Senses
- Properties of Matter & Changes in Matter
  - Energy
  - Earth & Space
  - Living Organisms

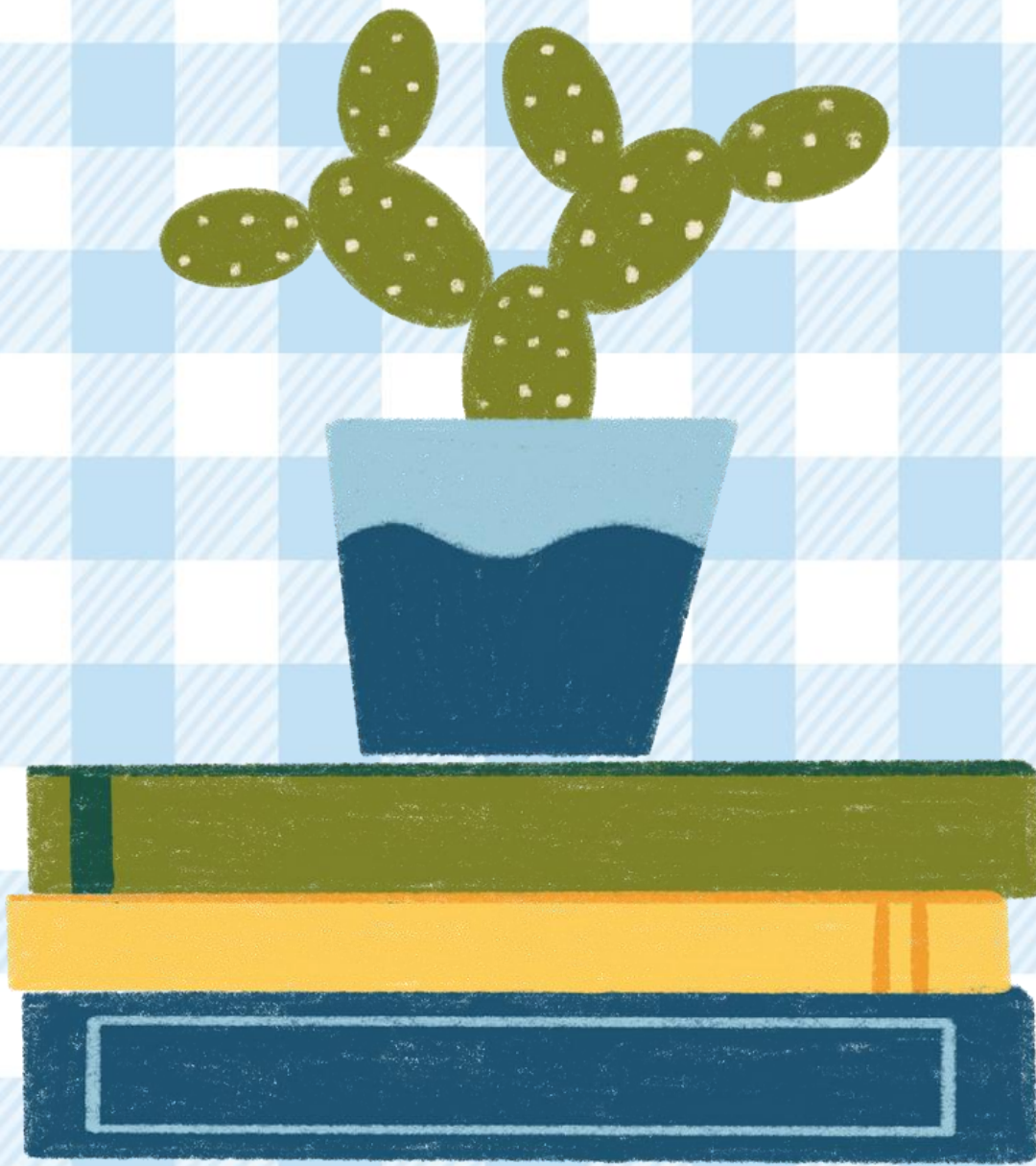


## Social Studies

- Citizenship
- American History
  - Geography
  - Economics



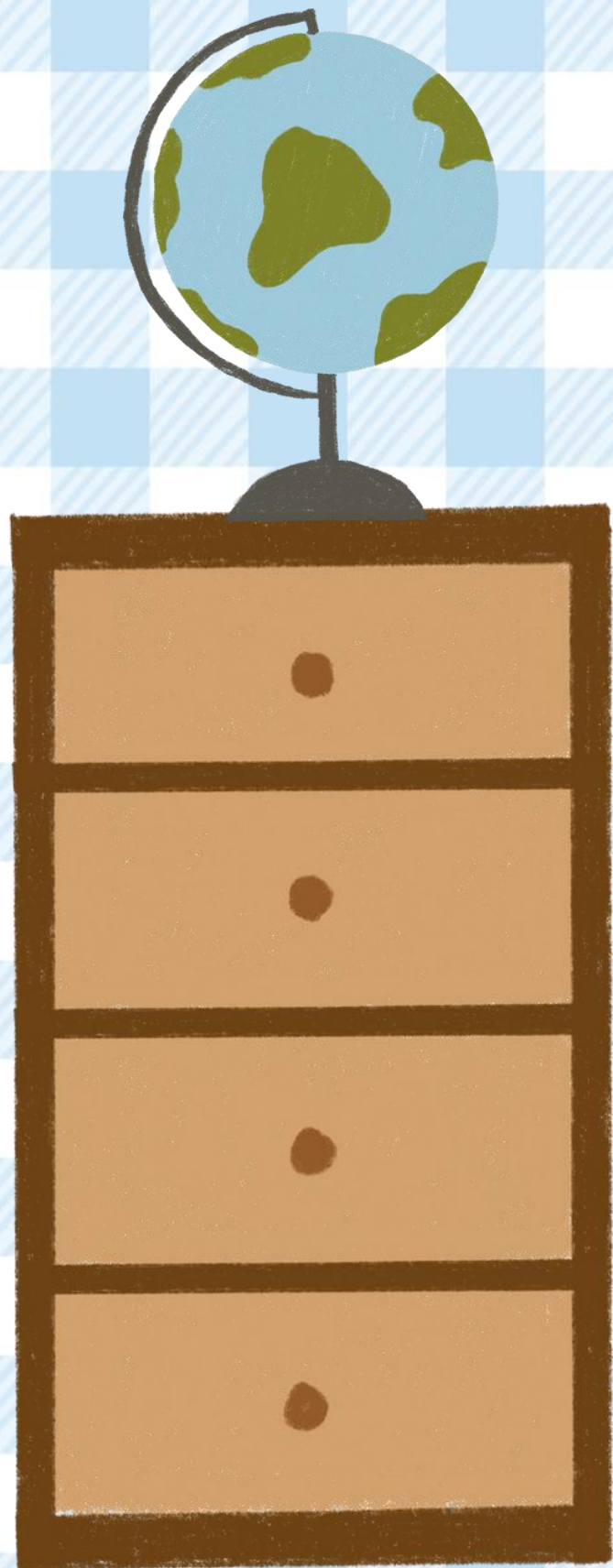
# Social/Emotional Skills



- Understands & follows expectations in the learning environment
- Adjusts behaviors & adapts to transitions, daily routines, & unexpected events
  - Chooses appropriate words & actions
- Separates from familiar adults with minimal distress
- Responds when adults & other kids initiate interactions
- Initiates & sustains positive interactions with adults & kids & resolves conflicts
  - Respects the rights & property of others
    - Shows respect for materials



# Testing Information



## School Assessments

- Common Formative & Summative assessments
- Informal observations
- Teacher conferences

## District Assessments

- FAST Early Literacy & Math
  - Administered fall, winter & spring



# Professional Learning Communities



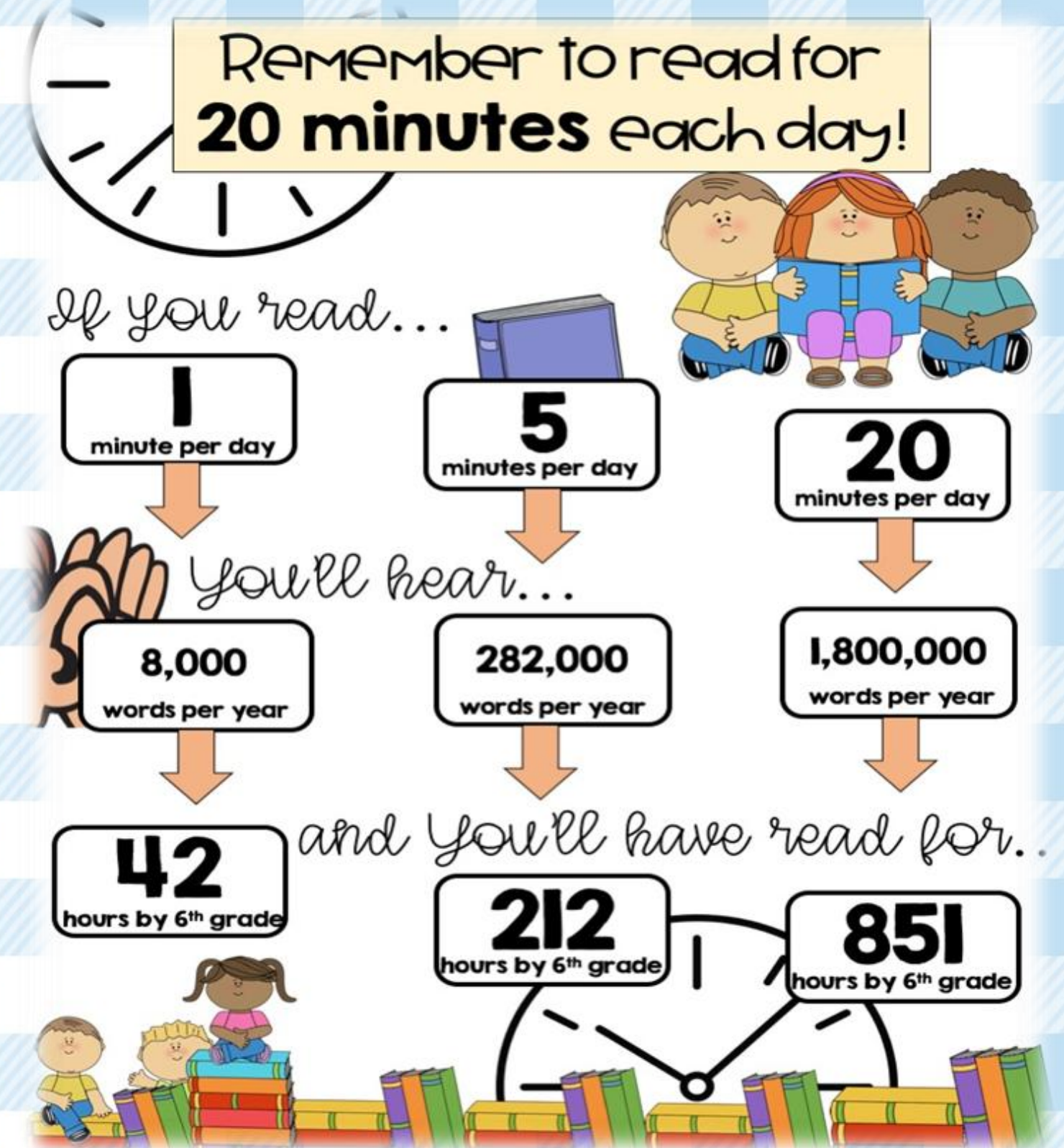
Teachers meet weekly to share expertise and work collaboratively to improve teaching skills and the academic performance of all kindergarten students.





# At-Home Support

- Letter names and sounds
- Writing letters and numbers
- Lexia Core (access through clever)
- Read to and/or with your child for 20 minutes
- Counting by 1's and 10's to 100
- Self-reliance
- Problem-solving skills



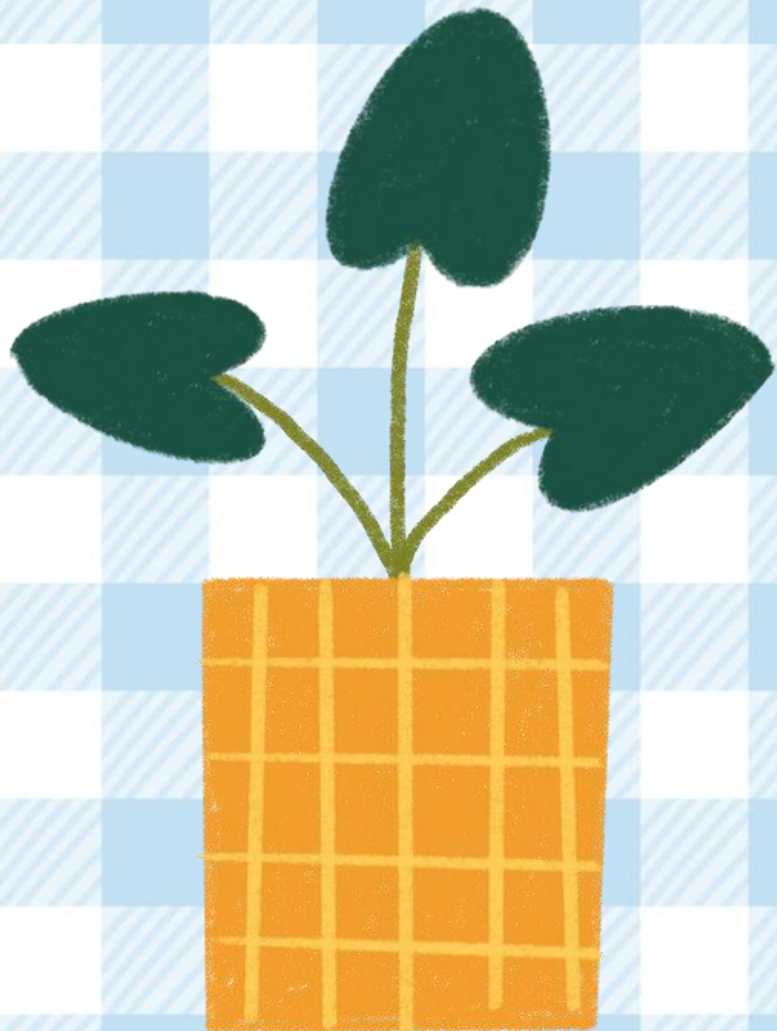


# Parent Conferences

Conferences will be offered at the beginning of October. Parents will have the option to meet in-person or via Teams. A Sign Up Genius is forthcoming.

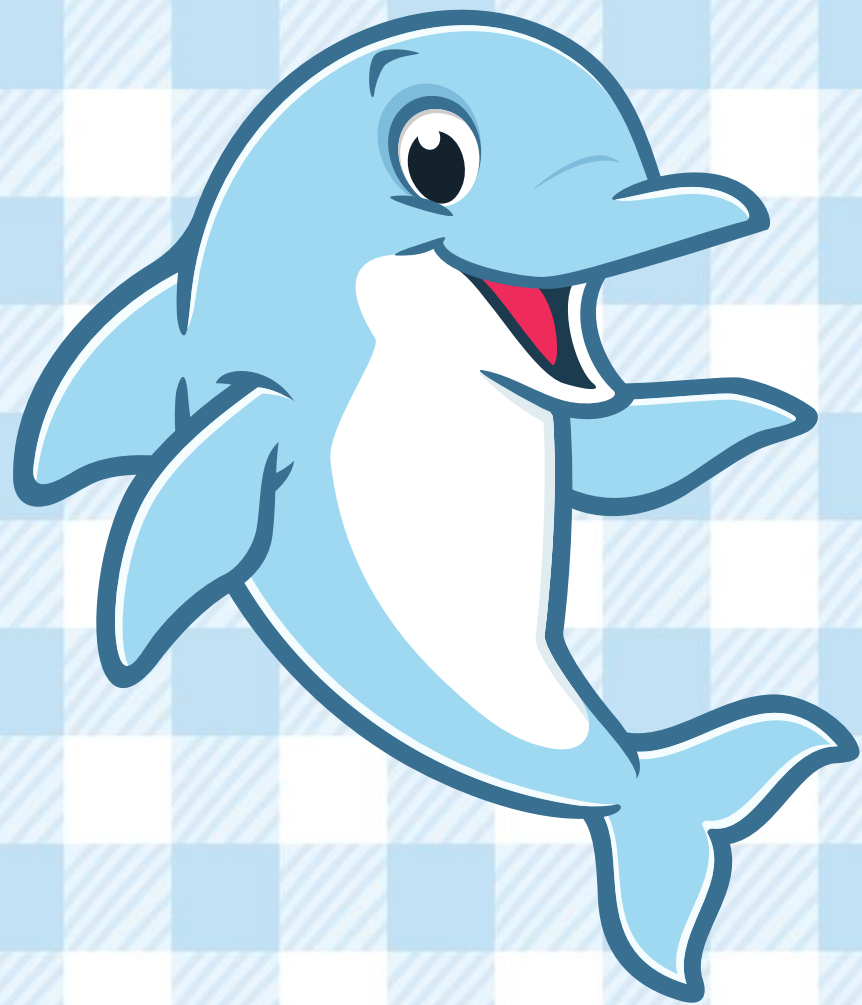
We look forward to meeting with all families to discuss each child's progress and growth!

Together is BETTER! 😊





# Parent Teacher Organization



Have you joined the PTO?

Check out the PIA website and click the PTO link to find ways to support our dolphins!

Thank you so much for your support!



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Let's have a  
great year!

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