MERSD SPECIALS Grade K, Trimester 1

LIBRARY

In this Trimester, your child will:

- Learn the purpose of the school library and how to check out a book.
- Begin to independently navigate the library's physical space.
- Begin to recognize the difference between fiction and non-fiction books.
- Make predictions about what will happen next in a story.
- Learn about seasonal themes and world traditions via literature, and demonstrate understanding via student-created projects.

TECHNOLOGY

In this Trimester, your child will:

- Learn basic device safety and expectations of device care.
- Identify different kinds of computing devices in the classroom, like the mouse, laptop, printer and ipads.
- Learn how to use the mouse to navigate the computer and different applications.
- Use a program called Kipix to create simple pictures and learn how to type our name.

MUSIC & PERFORMING ARTS

In this Trimester, your child will:

- Recognize music as a cultural universal.
- Sing a variety of songs as a group
- Learn the difference between loud and soft sounds.
- Keep a steady beat using their bodies.
- Respond to music through movement.
- Listen to music silently.

VISUAL ART

In this Trimester, your child will:

- Students will learn what art is, what an artist does and why art is important to people throughout history and around the world.
- Students will continue to explore new ways to explore artmaking and expressing themselves through drawing, painting, printing, collage and 3D construction.

WELLNESS / PE

In this Trimester, your child will:

- Be introduced to a variety of locomotor skills (Hopping, skipping, jumping, leaping, running, galloping and sliding)
- Demonstrate soccer skills including striking, trapping, dribbling, headers, force and passing.
- Begin overhand and underhand
 throwing and catching
- Take part in Project Adventure curriculum which includes problem solving and teamwork.

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