**School Year at a Glance**

**Mrs. Bunyi’s Class**

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|  | **August** | **September** | **October** | **November** | **December** | **January** | **February** | **March** | **April** | **May** |
| **Reading** | Launching reading workshop- Just right books, reading letters, conferences; compare/contrast | Reading comprehension strategies; fact/opinion; cause/effect; nonfiction conventions | References (atlas, thesaurus, etc.); main idea/detail; author’s purpose; problem/solution; comprehension strategies | Reading fiction; summarizing; sequencing; comprehension strategies | Author Studies (blends previous skills and strategies taught) | Genre Study; comprehension strategies | Poetry; test prep; informational text (focusing on note taking and determining imp. Information) | Reading Partnership; categorizing; comp. strategies; nonfiction review | Reading Research: Note Taking Strategies |
| **Writing** | Launching Writing Workshop  | Personal Narrative Writing | Free write;Craft study- Mentor texts (What are they doing? Why are they doing it? Can I try it in my writing?) | Realistic Fiction (usually a favorite) | Craft Study- Slice of Life writing; topical (descriptive writing) | Craft Study- Review/Critique writing (my unit through Scholastic) | Essay and/or informational writing (poetry can be written from reading study as well) | Memoir: The Art of Writing Well |
| **Social Studies** | Regions and PeopleEvents: State Research | Civics and GovernmentEvents: Government speakers and bill to law simulation  | Learning About Our EconomyEvents: Launching a Business | Newspaper Unit: Social Studies Alive (Weekly periodicals that address TN state standards and history) | A Closer Look at Geography and CultureEvents: Video conferencing and geo-caching | Global Concerns, Famous Tennesseans, a look into the pastEvents: Famous Tennesseans presentation |
| **Math** | Assessment; adding/ subtracting whole numbers; place value; rounding; expanded form, standard form; word form | Decimals (round and read); geometry; perimeter,area, volume; briefly touched money due to pre-test | Multi-digit multiplication; division; Pi; converting decimals to fractions (and vice versa) | Algebra (hands-on approach); fractions (will include unlike denominators and simplifying, if needed) | Measurement(will include converting customary to metric, if needed) | Data (through Project M3)- includes mean, mode, median | Probability; calendar; time; temperature; review | Extension through Singapore Math (focus-geometry) | Extension through Singapore Math  | Advanced algebra Example:2(2x+4)-2x=x+18(X= 10)Yes, our class will be able to complete problems like this. ☺Open to collaborating with upper grades for possible plans too! |
| **Grammar** | Subjects/ predicates; comma usage; proper nouns | Paragraphing; mild interjections; dialogue  | Spelling (editing) strategies;metaphors; homophones; portable word walls  | Topic sentences; abbreviations; adjectives; editing checklists | Adverbs; Prepositions Selecting titles; verbs (powerful descriptors) | Analogies; irregular verbs; singular-subject verbs | Pronouns and their antecedents; proper nouns; possessive nouns | Verb forms; verb types; adjectives (comparative/superlative)  | Verb tenses; comma transition words to show passage of time; homophones | Apostrophe: plural possessive nouns; pronouns: possessive; nouns and pronouns: subjective/objective |

RESOURCES

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| Reading | Writing | Grammar | Spelling | Math | Social Studies |
| * Lester Laminack
* Debbie Miller
* Tanny McGregor
* Richard Allington
* Regie Routman
* Susan Zimmerman
* Barbara Orehove
* Stephanie Harvey and Anne Goudvis
* Scholastic Reading Skills Kit
* Scholastic’s Navigating Nonfiction
* Too many to list! I love professional books on teaching readers!
 | * Katie Wood Ray’s *Study Driven*
* Lucy Calkin’s *Units of Study*
* Scholastic unit created last year
* Ralph Fletcher’s *Craft Study*
* Lester Laminack’s *Cracking Open the Author’s Craft.*
* Shelly Harwayne and Donald Graves (early writers of the workshop approach)
 | * Songs of Higher Learning website/songs
* *Mastering the Mechanics: Grades 4-5*, Linda Hoyt and Teresa Therriault
 | * Words Their Way
* Study Buddy, Fountas and Pinnell
 | * Every Day Math
* Investigations (which includes many math manipulatives)
* H-Mifflin text
* Project M3 (curriculum created for gifted students by Kathy Gavins)
* Singapore Math
* Math Exemplars
* Hands-On Equations Learning System (Algebra)
* Songs of Higher Learning
* Rockin’ the Standards (music)
* Mr. Duey (songs on fractions)
 | * Resources from fellow teacher, Mrs. Renz- www.mrsrenz.com
* Scholastic’s Mock Trial Book (Bill to Law)
* Economic unit borrowed from Mrs. Verbic
* Social Studies Alive Periodicals (Mrs. Davis-Louis uses this in 4th grade)
* Textbook
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