



Fort Rucker Primary
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Special Areas Newsletter

Physical Education

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Last month, students learned how to find their own personal space. They will continue to move carefully when practicing various locomotor movements: galloping, skipping, sliding, jogging, and running. Students also learned about some American sports heroes. This month students will practice basic soccer skills. New tag games will be introduced along with some partner activities.

Special Area Discipline Plan

Rules

Follow Directions

Keep hands, feet & objects to yourself

No talking while teacher is talking

No name calling or teasing

No food, drink, or gum

Rewards

Varies by area

Consequences

Warning

5 minutes = Time Out

10 Minutes = Time Out

Call Parents

Principal

Media Center

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Media Center Website:

<http://www.am.dodea.edu/rucker/Primary/index.htm>

This month we will begin accessing information using databases. The students will learn how to access Gale and Kids InfoBits. This database was developed for beginning researchers in Kindergarten through Grade 5. It features developmentally appropriate and visually graphic interface, the most popular search method is moving from a broad subject to a narrower topic using the subject-based topic tree. The curriculum-related, age appropriate, full-text content is from the best elementary reference sources and magazines. This database covers geography, current events, the arts, science, health, people, government, history, sports, and more. Have fun researching together.

Online Resource

GALE PRODUCTS

URL:

<http://infotrac.galegroup.com/itweb/ftrops>

No Username Required

School Password: ldodea

Home Password: ra!dodea

Technology Byte

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Did you know military families receive FREE access to tutor.com? Visit

<http://www.tutor.com/military> and click on your branch of service. The Tutor.com for U.S. Military Families program is funded by the Department of Defense MWR Library Program, Yellow Ribbon Reintegration Program and Navy General Library Program. This is a great resource for students of all ages.

Nurse Notes

Nurse Doggett debbie.doggett@am.dodea.edu

News from the Nurse

This month I completed lice classes with all the students and checked each student's heads for lice. If lice are found, the parent is called and asked to pick the student up to treat. During the school year please check your child's head frequently, especially if you notice them itching often. If lice are found ALL nits (eggs) must be removed before coming back to school. The student must be checked by the school nurse before returning to classroom. TOGETHER WE CAN, make the best "team" for learning!
Nurse Doggett

FLES-Spanish

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FLES(Foreign Language in the Elementary School)
¡Hola! If your child is a kindergartener or a first grader, you have probably heard him/her sing in ESPAÑOL. This is the eight year we have a Spanish program here at the Primary School.

Señora Esteves-Hurst is using developmentally appropriate practices to help the students learn good manners, numbers, and colors in Español. People have three basic learning styles. Visual learners learn from reading or seeing a demonstration of a skill. Auditory learners learn best from lectures, spoken instructions, or even music. A kinesthetic learner finds that movement helps and that they learn faster, for example, if they imitate a demonstrated action rather than just observing it.

If you want to practice the colors at home here they are:

rojo (rohoh) red	gris (greece) gray
rosa (rohsah) pink	café (cafeh) brown
verde (verdeh) green	negro (neggro) black
blanco (blankoh) white	azul (ahsool)
amarillo (ahmahreeyo) yellow	
anaranjado (ahnaranhado) orange	

Counselor's Corner

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During the month of September, the guidance counselor will discuss bullying with the students. They will cover what is a bully, who is a bully and how to stop a bully. The nurse will also share with the students about lice (louse). They will learn what it is and how to get rid of it. During the month the students will also celebrate heroes. The specialists will complete lessons on everyday heroes. The students will be actively involved in projects throughout the school during this month.

Music Notes

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Welcome!

In September, all Kindergarten and 1st Grade classes will be studying Patriotic music. This is an important unit of study as we will be learning:

- The importance of the words in the Pledge of Allegiance
- The writing of the Star-Spangled Banner

We will be having a special collaborative unit on Everyday Heroes, led by Mrs. Amuso (Library), Mrs. Hammond (Guidance), Mrs. Shaffer (Technology), and myself (Music). We will be discussing characteristics of everyday heroes, accessing databases to find images of heroes, drawing our own special heroes, and having special guests. It will culminate with a special assembly program which will be held on Hero Day, Tuesday, September 11. Thank you for understanding!