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Rio Galaveras

The Class Times

The class newsletter written and published by Mr. Pham's Fifth Grade Students - Class of 2024

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On this Thanksgiving occasion, we are thankful for:

- **OUR PARENTS. WE LOVE YOU VERY MUCH!!!**

We also would like to express our sincere appreciation to these Wonderful People for supporting our class in the first Trimester of school:

- Our Principal, Mrs. Hall.
- Our Assistant Principals, Mr. Oki and Ms. Johnsen
- Ms. Nena, Ms. Gwen, Mrs. Rennard, and the Office Staff
- Mrs. Morales, Mrs. Cuellar, Ms. Andersen, Mrs. Johnson
- Mrs. Helen and the Cafeteria Staff
- Mr. John, Mr. Lee, Ms. Bi-Ban and the Custodial Staff
- Mr. Steve, Mr. Reggie, Mr. Jeff, Ms. Latoya, Ms. Lucretia, Ms. Denise, Ms. Lucinda, and the Student Supervisor Staff.

We are THANKFUL for your support. We promise to try our best in school and be good citizens. Have a wonderful and joyous Thanksgiving.

Mr. Pham's Fifth Grade: Room Be-One



Olivia: I'm thankful for my family, cousins, my brother and sister, my friends, and my dogs for always being there for me when I'm sad and sick. But mostly, I'm thankful for my parents that always support me no matter what. Finally, I'm thankful for being born into this world.

Aria: I'm thankful for my parents for giving me love and care. I'm also thankful for my two brothers and my dog for always being by my side when I'm sad or mad. I'm thankful for Mr. Oogly Poogly for giving me knowledge.

Salvador: I'm thankful for my mom and dad. I'm also thankful for my electronics that my mom and dad bought. I'm thankful for my mom's cooking. She makes great food. I'm also thankful for my toys.

Alessandra: I'm thankful for my parents. They feed me and take care of me. I'm also thank you for my pets, especially my dog Chico! My pets always cheer me up. I'm thankful for my oogly boogly teacher for making us laugh. I'm thankful for my best friends, my cousin Jazlyn and Melanie. I'm thankful for my grandparents, and food! I'm also very thankful for being Mexican and lastly, I'm VERY thankful for BOBA!!

Neema: I'm thankful for my mom because she birthed me. She makes me laugh, she cooks for me, she bought our house, and she isn't strict. She buys stuff for me, and she takes care of me (and my cat)! I'm also thankful for my dad, my electronics, sushi and boba, and nature!

Hadiqa: I'm really thankful for my parents because my mom helped me when I needed her, and my dad works for me to have food to eat and have a roof over my head. I'm thankful for my friends that encourage me, help me, and make me happy. Finally, I'm thankful for all my teachers because if it weren't for them, I wouldn't be where I am right now.

Nguyen: I'm thankful for my mom and dad because they brought me into this world and took care of me. Thank you, mom and dad.

Isaiah H.: I'm thankful for my mom and dad. My mom goes to work to pay bills and buys me clothes, shoes, and a house to live in. My dad taught me how to ride a bike and play sports. He also taught me how to cook and clean and helps me with homework when I'm struggling.

Aaron: I'm thankful for my mom and dad who takes care of me and cooks delicious food. I'm also thankful for my aunts, uncles, and cousins for supporting me throughout my whole life. I'm grateful for my friends. I'm grateful that I have a brother and sister. Finally, I'm grateful for the soldiers who gave their lives to give us freedom.

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Thankful
For

Layla: I'm thankful for my family, mom, dad, and my two older brothers. My mom always helped me and made me happy when I'm sad. My dad is a very hard worker, and my brothers are very helpful. I'm also thankful for my dog, lizard, cat and my very awesome teacher.

Grace: I'm thankful for my mom who makes dinner every day no matter how tired she is. I'm thankful for my dad for being there for me with funny jokes. I'm thankful for my brother and sister for making me laugh and taking me to Sonics. Finally, I'm thankful for Jesus who died on the cross for us and gave us life. Happy Thanksgiving! 😊❤️

Alvaris: I am thankful for my mom for always supporting me. I'm thankful for my old dog, the creators of Roblox, my electronics, and thankful for my room.

Faith: I'm thankful for my family. I'm thankful for the food my mom/dad cooks for me. I'm thankful for my school, my home and my life. I'm also thankful for my teacher for giving us homework! 😊

Lesly: I'm thankful for my dad who works hard to give us a better life. I love my mom because she always help me. For my sister and brothers. I'm thankful for my friends, my cousins. I'm thankful for my teacher.

Jasmine: I'm thankful for my parents that took care of my when I was little. For my siblings for making me laugh. For my home that has a roof to keep me warm and safe. I'm thankful to God for providing my needs. Lastly, I'm thankful for my "pretty" teacher for teaching us for the last 3 months!

Karter: I'm thankful for my family. They always support me through the years. I'm also thankful for my teacher who needs a haircut. It's fun to annoy him. Happy Thanksgiving.

Syed: I'm thankful for my parents for taking care of me and cooking my favorite foods. For my cousin and friends. Finally, I'm thankful for my sister for helping me with my homework and iReady.

Israel: I'm thankful for my mom and dad for taking care of the family. I'm thankful for my goofy and fun little brother and my uncle that taught me how to ride a bike.

Melanie: I'm thankful for many things such as my parents who take care of me and provide a roof over my head and love me no matter what. For my sister, my electronics, and for the oogly teacher. I'm also thankful for Alessandra, Jaslene, and Hadiqa...

Kalysta: I'm thankful for my family. My parents work so hard every day just so I can be happy and healthy. My mom is very funny and nice. My dad is very caring and respectful. I'm thankful for the fire fighters, policemen, and doctors... I'm also thankful for all my loving friends and...my oogly teacher!

Crystal: I'm thankful for having the best family. They always make me happy when I'm sad. My family has my back when I have a hard time. I'm thankful for all my cousins for playing with me we always had a good time.

Analy: I'm thankful for my mom and dad, my sisters, brother, my hamsters, and the rest of my family. Happy Thanksgiving to you all. ❤️

Jaslene: I'm thankful for my mom, my dad, my two sisters, and my dog. I'm thankful for the good food that mom cooks and helps me with homework. Thankful for dad for keeping everybody safe and healthy. Happy Thanksgiving!

Tyler: I'm thankful for my parents taking care of me every day by feeding me. I'm thankful for having a bed, a PS5, and a phone. I'm thankful having friends to play with and talk to. For having sports tournaments to play at school.

Jonathan: I'm thankful for my family for keeping me happy every day. I'm thankful for my dog and cat for keeping me entertained. I'm thankful for the men and women fighting for our freedom, and I'm thankful for my teacher.

Damien: I'm thankful for my mom. She helps me with work and buys me stuff. I'm thankful for my cats that play with me. I'm thankful for my bed and good friends.

Sivohn: I'm thankful for my parents that puts food on our table and for loving me. I'm thankful for my sisters and brother being there for me. I'm thankful for my friends.

Fusi: I'm thankful for the house that I live in because it protects me. I'm thankful for my mom because my mom Make Our Meals (M.O.M.) and she is Made Of Money (M.O.M.). I'm thankful for my dad because he is very funny. I'm thankful for my iPad and Mr. Oogly!

Jonah: I'm thankful for my family because I would never have survived without my family. I'm also thankful for God protecting my whole family. I'm thankful for my parents for taking care of me throughout the years.

Isaiah W: I'm thankful for my mom, my sister, and my dog. I'm also thankful for my X-box monitor keyboard and mouse and for getting an X-box.

1st Trimester Awards

SIX PILLARS CHARACTER AWARDS

September Character: Caring - Aaron, Hadiqa

September Citizenship: Kalysta, Jonathan

October Character: Respect - Syed, Grace

October Citizenship: Crystal, Salvador

PERFECT ATTENDANCE

Salvador, Jonathan, Aaron, Syed, Jonah, Bella, Fusi, Crystal, Lesly, Isaiah W., Neema, Melanie, Kalysta

I-READY ACHIEVEMENT

Math: Kalysta, Aaron- **Reading:** Kalysta, Neema

Most Lessons Passed - Math: Syed, Kalysta, Aaron

Reading: Melanie, Kalysta

ACCELERATED READER ACHIEVEMENT

Salvador, Hadiqa, Jonathan, Jazmine, Aaron, Syed, Jonah, Bella, Grace, Crystal, Asante, Lesly, Neema, Melanie, Kalysta, Fusi, Isaiah H.

HONOR ROLL - Salvador, Jonathan, Jazmine,

Syed, Grace, Crystal, Fusi, Hadiqa, Aaron,

Melanie, Neema, Kalysta



November Character Awards

TOLERANCE

Tolerance is the willingness to accept and respect different people, ideas, behaviors, and beliefs that are different from your own.



Analy



Jaslene



Syed



Melanie

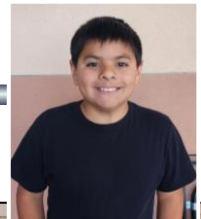
Citizenship

Students that exemplify Rio Calaveras' guidelines:
Safe, Responsible, Respectful

Band: Salvador

Music Students 23-24

Strings: Lesly, Faith, Crystal, Olivia, Grace, Isaiah H., Neema, Alvaris, Fusi, Jazmine, Jaslene, Kalysta, Jonathan



Rio Calaveras offers students a wonderful music program led by Ms. Andersen. In our class, 14 students signed up to play strings or band instruments. The music students go to music class twice a week for 40 minutes each time.

We are very happy that Rio Calaveras gives us an opportunity to expand our minds into the arts. We promise we will practice our instrument everyday.





Art Appreciation

Studies have shown that involvement in the arts is associated with gains in math, reading, cognitive ability, critical thinking, and verbal skills. Arts

learning can also improve motivation, concentration, confidence, and teamwork. Finally, drawing, painting, and creating arts can be a relaxing, non-pressure activity that refreshes the mind.

For us in Mr. Pham's 5th grade class, art time is fun time! This year, we explore the relationships between lines, colors, shapes, space, and concepts. We recognize primary, secondary, and tertiary colors. We discover the meanings of perspectives and abstractions. We learn different drawing and painting techniques. We look into the minds of art masters and create our own works of art following their styles. Finally, we try our hands at photography using digital cameras and computer programs.

Please visit our website to see our artwork.

www.OurClass.us



Turkey Laughs

Why can't you take a turkey to church?

- They use FOWL language.

Who doesn't eat on Thanksgiving?

- A turkey because it is always stuffed!

What kind of music did the Pilgrims make?

- Plymouth Rock

What did baby corn say to mama corn?

- Where's pop corn?



In the month of December, our class will celebrate the season with these activities:

- 1. Secret Santa.** We will pick names of our classmates and for 3 weeks, we give clues and little treats to them secretly, and let them guess who is doing it. On December 14th, we will have a "Secret Santa" reveal and give each other a little present (under \$10). It's going to be fun!
- 2. Decorating the class.** We will decorate the class, cut snowflakes, and make ornaments.
- 3. Winter Talent Show.** Our class talent show will be rocking with singing and dancing...
- 4. FINALLY...**

Winter Carnival

Our Class' Winter Carnival will be on **December 15, 2023**. There will be game booths run by the students themselves. A "Santa Store" will also be set up for students to use their tickets.

We will be asking parents to donate goodies for our class' Santa Store. Thank you!

what's up

December 1

December 4

December 8

December 9

December 15

December 20

December 21

December 22

Dec. 25-Jan. 5

December 25

"Secret Santa" Begins

iReady Assessment Begins

Flea Market #2

Grace's Birthday

Winter Talent Show

"Our Class" Day

"Secret Santa" Reveal

WINTER CARNIVAL

Winter Break

Merry Christmas

Mr. Pham's Birthday