

HAPPY NEW YEAR!

Grape Class Newsletter

January 2026

Dear Parents,

A Happy New Year to everyone! It's wonderful to see the children back to school. I hope everyone had a fantastic and restful winter break.

This month, we are excited to celebrate our "Culture Day". During this event, the children will have the opportunity to learn about the cultures of various countries, including their foods, sports, languages and famous landmarks. They will also learn how to locate different countries on the map and recognize each nation's flag. Additionally, we will go on an imaginary journey to different countries using passport created by the children. As a host country, Japan, we will prepare "Nori Maki" (seaweed rolls), and the children will also get to make a plate and a variety of foods from different cultures. We believe this will be a fun, educational and memorable experience for the children.

In language arts, the children will begin writing short stories using pictures and vocabulary provided to them. They will also learn new vocabulary words and practice spelling. In Science, we will explore the different life cycles of plants and animals, helping children understand the stages of growth and development in living things.

Starting this month, we will introduce a daily habit of brushing teeth after lunch. Please ensure your child small toothbrush, toothpaste and a mirror to school each day. This will help promote good oral hygiene habits.

There will also a Parent/Teacher Meeting scheduled soon. Please sign-up for a convenient time on the posted schedule. We look forward to discussing your child's progress and how we can work together to support their learning.

Once again, I would like to thank all of you in advance for your ongoing support though out this term. Your cooperation and encouragement mean a lot to us and greatly contribute to the children's success.

Thank you,

Learning Activities

1. Conversation - (Talk about countries)
2. Language Art
 - a Reading - (words, sentences, stories)
 - b. Writing - (short sentences, diary, words)
 - c. Spelling - (words start with R, S, T, U)
 - d. Phonics - (review on vowels)
 - e. Vocabulary - (the use of Does, Do, Doesn't And Don't
3. Sciences - (Learn about Life Cycle)
4. Math - (How to recognize monetary, 3 digits add/Sub)
5. Craft Activity - (Culture Day Activity)
6. Songs and Poem (culture day related)

Dates to Remember

January 12 – Coming of Age

Things to bring:

Please have your child bring “Makisu”, and and apron on Jan .

Thank you.



Kid's Corner

Happy
New Year
Everyone

Songs and Poem

It's a Small World

It's a small world after all

It's a small world after all

It's a small world after all

It's a small, small world

It's a world of laughter and a world of tears

It's a world of hopes and a world of fears

There's so much that we share

That is time we're aware

It's a small world after all

repeat chorus

There is just one moon and one golden sun

and a smile means friendship to everyone

Though the mountains divide and the oceans are wide

It's a small world after all

(repeat chorus)

Poem

Around the World

Some children are brown

Their words maybe different

Some are yellow, and some are red. But they are children just like

Some children are black, white ones too. you

Their colors maybe different-

Some lives huts or bamboos

They are children just like you!

Some lives in bungalow or

Some children eat noodle

mansion

Some eat rice, some eat breads

Their homes may be different

Or mashed potatoes

But they are children just like

Their food maybe different but you

They are children just like you.

Some are Japanese, Americans

Some children say thank you

Indians, English or Australians

and some says arigatou

Their countries maybe different

Some says mahalo

The countries maybe different

So much would be different but the children are all alike.

January 2026 Schedule

The schedule is subjected to changes.

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
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		Winter	Break	
5	6	7	8	9
winter	break	winter break	a.m. sharing time p.m sharing time	a.m read short stories p,m craft activity
12	13	14	15	16
Holiday	a.m. vocabulary p.m. additions/ subtraction	a.m write short story p.m spelling	a.m Culture (learn Japan/ Korea activity p.Mathematic	a.m read short story p.m craft activity
19	20	21	22	23
am write short story pm phonics	am culture (learn India Philippines) activity pm Mathematics	am vocabulary pm additions /subtractions	am Spelling pm Science	a.m read short story p.m craft activity
26	27	28	29	30
am. vocabulary pm additions /subtractions	am spelling pm phonics	am write short story pm Science	am lean about America/ Australia pm prepare countries food	a.m read short story p.m craft activity mami maki

. Park time at 11:30 until 12:0 on a fine weather.