

MERSD SPECIALS

Grade 4, Trimester 1

LIBRARY

In this Trimester, your child will:

- Demonstrate awareness of literature from various cultures and genres, and begin to understand the concept of books as “mirrors or windows” via a Worldly Reading Challenge.
- Learn how to self-check out library books using *Destiny*, the school library database.
- Practice how to conduct an online search for information and begin to learn how to evaluate online sources.

TECHNOLOGY

In this Trimester, your child will:

- Review basic device safety and expectations of device care.
- Practice logging in and getting connected to Google Classroom.
- Review keyboarding finger placement and begin using Learning.com Keyboarding program.
- Focus on accuracy over speed when practicing keyboarding skills.

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.

MUSIC & PERFORMING ARTS

In this Trimester, your child will:

- Connect songs they sing to history and culture.
- Read and play whole, half, quarter and eighth notes and rests.
- Demonstrate context-appropriate audience etiquette.
- Recognize the ways musicians communicate nonverbally.

WELLNESS / PE

In this Trimester, your child will:

- Students will demonstrate soccer skills within small game situations
- Students will demonstrate throwing, catching and punting a football
- Student will demonstrate dribbling, passing and shooting of a basketball
- Students will demonstrate passing and catching skills used during the game of handball
- Students will also take part in Project Adventure curriculum which includes problem solving and teamwork.