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Rio Calaveras

The Class Times

Welcome Back



The class newsletter written and published by Mr. Pham's Fifth Grade Students - Class of 2022



Welcome to our 5th GRADE Class!

Our class is made up of 31 students and our teacher, Mr. Pham. We came from different places, have different personalities and abilities. Some of us like to draw, some like math, others love to read, and there are students that like computers.

Although we are different, we are here for these reasons: To improve our minds, to spend time with friends, and to be a **ONE** and **UNIQUE** class.

We love Rio Calaveras! All the teachers are wonderful, and learning is a lot of fun. This year we will try our best to learn and fulfill our class motto:

BELIEVE! ACHIEVE! SUCCEED!

It's going to be a great year!
Mr. Pham's 5th grade class

- Jerica, Leonardo, Natalie,
- Isacc, Clarke, Kyle, Gianna,
- Jaylene, Jonathan, Maurine,
- Raul, Asusena, Dasanny, Auren,
- Ryan, Raina, Cassandra, Gretal,
- Alasia, Aristan, Nayeli, Rosalie,
- David, Amelia, Adriano, Alex,
- Preston, Mateo, Melinda,
- Thomas, John, Janessa





Dear Parents,

We are off to a good start for the school year. Everyone is enthusiastic and eager to learn.

I'm happy to have such a great group of students and very excited to be a part of their development both being good citizens and a good student.

I'm pleased to say that the students in this class are also excited about the new school year. Our Class' motto is:

BELIEVE! ACHIEVE! SUCCEED!

We know we must **Believe** in ourselves to be able to **Achieve** in school and **Succeed** in life. This year will be full of challenges that come with being a Fifth Grader. The students are asked to be more responsible and accountable for their learning and behavior in the classroom, on the playground, and at home. Fifth grade curriculum will also be very demanding, and homework/classwork is expected to be done every week. There are a lot of projects and activities that we do in class that will be both challenging and rewarding. One of these activities is to publish a class newsletter.

The "Class Times" will be published once every month. Working on the newsletter provides an opportunity for students to express themselves through writing, practicing real-life writing skills as they produce newsletters for classmates, friends, and family to enjoy.

The students are very excited about writing and publishing monthly newsletters, but parental support is needed and appreciated to encourage the children in this very rewarding and on-going class project. The newsletter is for the students but also is a way for parents to see how their children are doing in class by reading the newsletter each month. With parents and students' participation both in and out of the classroom, we can look forward to a productive, creative, and enjoyable year together.

Please feel free to contact me about any questions or concerns you may have.

Sincerely,
Mr. Pham

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About 5th Grade

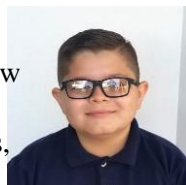


I think 5th Grade is nice and cool. Mr. Pham is really amazing. There are tons of fun stuff

we're going to do like Flea Markets, Carnivals, and more. It has been fun hanging out with friends. On Fridays we have payday and class store.

- **Nayeli**

5th Grade so far is great and I love how we do a lot of new things like projects, assignments,



and Roaches. I also like all the fun things we have done so far and I hope it will be more fun to come. I think this will be a fun year.

- **Jonathan**

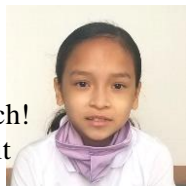


So far, 5th Grade is great because we get to do a lot of fun things like State Report,

Projects, art... I really like this class because my friends are with me and because Mr. Pham is a really good teacher.

- **Cassandra**

5th Grade is pretty good so far and I liked our first Roach! It was fun! I hope it will be a good



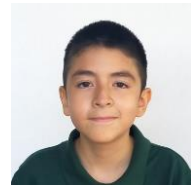
year! I love to do projects and drawings. - **Janessa**



5th Grade is going great. It might be hard but very fun. We learn a lot of new things. This

Class might be the best one yet!!! This year will be a lot harder but I will do my best and try hard. - **Melinda**

5th Grade is good so far. I'm looking forward to doing projects. My friends are in my class so it is good. Mr. Pham is a very good teacher. I'm also excited for our class carnivals. - **Isacc**



5th Grade is going to be great because we are going to have Flea Markets and a lot of fun

things. My class is great because I have a lot of my friends. This year is going to be great except Mr. Pham is not very funny and is the Oogly Master! - **Gianna**

5th Grade is going great so far! This class is really fun though there is and will be homework,



I think it'll all go well. STEM projects and art are really fun. I hope we don't have to go back online and miss the rest of the year.

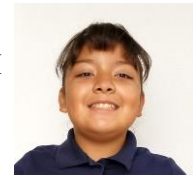
- **Jerica** ☺



I think 5th Grade is good so far and people in this class are cool. I hope this year would

stay great! I'm happy that I'm in Mr. Oogly's class. - **Dasanny**

5th Grade is awesome so far!!! I like how things get harder but that means we can have



more fun! Mr. Pham is an awesome teacher and I'm glad to have many friends. I think this class is awesome and fun! I'm going to like this school year. - **Jaylene**



5th Grade is fun. I like the class store, the STEM projects, and the Roaches. - **Alex**

Goals & Dreams



5th Grade is fun, and I like that I have friends in this class. I like doing STEM projects. I like my pretty teacher that is really “oogly!” I’m happy to be in Mr. Oogly’s class! - **Natalie**



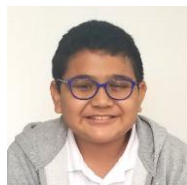
I think 5th Grade will be awesome because Mr. Pham is really fun to work with. We learn new things every day. I have great classmates to talk to and to work with. I look forward to more fun in this class. - **Rosalie**

I think 5th Grade is going to be amazing because I could learn a lot to go to 6th Grade. I’m super happy that I am in Mr. Pham’s class. It makes me happy that I’m in the best teacher’s classroom. - **Asusena**



5th Grade is fun. I like the fact that Mr. Pham likes to see us having a good time. Then there’s the math is fun and I like to find the volume of rectangular prisms. I also have some of my friends in this class like Alex. I like this year because I got Mr. Pham as my teacher. He also does STEM projects which are really fun. - **Adriano**

5th grade is good. I learn a lot of things that I don’t know yet and I learn how to do it. This class is a great class. In this class I learn difficult things and learn how to do and prepare for 6th grade. This year is a good year. I like art, math, and stem projects, especially math. I am learning new things so I can become better at it and have a good grade. - **Raina**



I want to be good at school for my mom and dad to be happy. In the future, I want to go to Delta. - **Mateo**

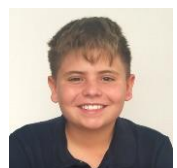


My goal for this year is making it on the “Wall of Fame”. My other goal is to get good grades so my parents can be proud of me. My future goals are to go to Delta College and become an engineer. - **Kyle**

I want to be on the “Wall of Fame” and get Mr. Pham to admit that he is oogly. My future goal is to make my AR goals.



I want to go to Delta College in the future. - **Ryan**



My goals for this year are to win the 4-square tournament and do all the STEM projects. My goals for the future are to go to Fresno State and get in shape. - **Preston**

I’d like to get good grades, make new friends, and complete all assignments. I’m looking forward to doing STEM, Art, and P.E. My future goals are to be an illustrator for Walt Disney and to work at Starbucks. I also want to be a good student. - **Alasia**



**P.S. Mr. Pham is oogly... uh... I mean pretty! 😊*



My goals are to make my AR goals and also be on the “Wall of Fame.” I’d like to pass 5th grade with a “B” or higher.

My goals in the future is to go to Delta and become a nurse! - **Amelia**

My goals this year are to get good grades and make more friends. I want to go UC Davis and work at a zoo so I can See all the animals every day.



- **Gretal**

My goals:

- Make AR Goals
- Read/Write better
- Play basketball better
- **Leonardo**



My goal is to know a lot of history and go to UCLA. I want to become a basketball player, history teacher, or anime director. - **Auren**

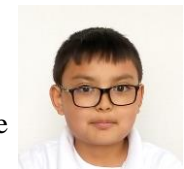
My goals for this year is to make AR goals, get good grades, make my mom happy by doing well in school, and to get on the “Wall of Fame!” In the future, I want to go to UOP or Sac State. - **Aristan**



I want to make AR goals for all year. I want to achieve Honor Roll. I’d like to go to Stanford University and be a

Surgeon! This, year, I will try to my best to make my parents happy by doing well in school. - **John**

My goals for this year is to get on the “Wall of Fame” and get Honor Roll. My future goals are to become an engineer.

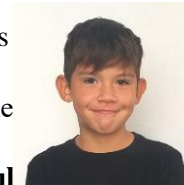


I want to build skyscraper and go to Harvard. - **David**

My goals are getting on the “Wall of Fame” and hold the “Golden Pineapple” Trophy once.

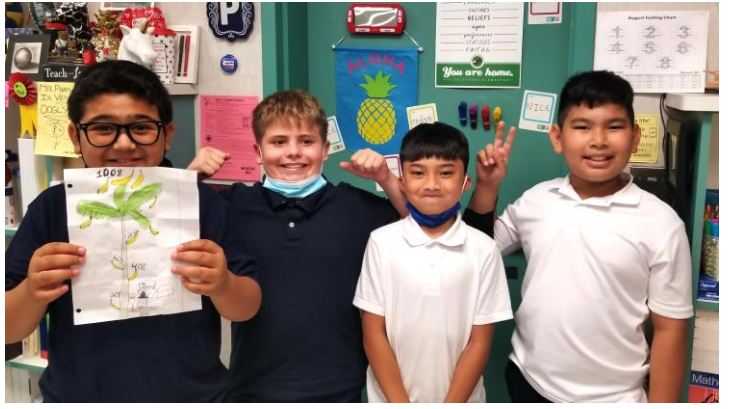
I also want to draw better. My future goals are going to a good high school and get good grades. Finally, I want to go to college and become a professor. - **Thomas**

My goals for this year is to be on the “Wall of Fame!” My goals for the future is to go to UOP. - **Raul**





Science tools investigations



AR Board winners



Janessa's "All About Me" presentation



Building a catapult during STEM time



Showing off our drawings during art time.



Making hoop gliders

There are a lot more pictures on our class website.

Classroom Website

<http://ClassTimes.us>

Did you know that our class has a website on the internet? There are many things on our website like news, updates, pictures, fun websites, learning activities, e-mails, and even a "Riddles Club" page. Students' artwork will also be posted on the website. Later in the year, students will get to build their own website to post their projects.

It's going to be an exciting year learning technology and the internet. Please support our class and encourage your child to do their best.

Technology in the Class

There are many online programs both social and academic that our class is using this year. Here are some main ones:

- Edmodo
- Google Drive
- i-Ready
- Accelerated Reader
- Websites
- Online Activities

Technology will be more and more important as the students move up the grades and I want the students to be prepared to meet the challenges of the real world through collaboration and technology implementation. Students will begin creating websites to use as their digital portfolios, and we are all excited to begin our journey.

what's up

Events happening this month:

- 9/06 – Labor Day
NO SCHOOL
- 9/11 – Dasanny's Birthday
- 9/13 – Book Faire Week
- 9/15 – T1 Progress Report
- 9/16 – Jerica's Birthday
- 9/23 – AVID Night: 6pm
- 9/24 – Flea Market #1
- 9/27 – Parent Conferences Week
- 9/27 – PD Day. No School