# Welcome ESL Parents!

September 6, 2025

## Introducing our Grade 4 Teachers



Green Group: Mr.Saulnier



Group Yellow : Mr.Noronha

## **Curriculum Expectations**

### **Oral Expectations - students will be able to:**

- 1. listen to an oral text and demonstrate understanding through participation in discussions of content area topics with minimal support
- 2. Engage in conversations and discussions strategically using conversational norms appropriate to purpose and audience

### Reading Expectations - Students will be able to:

- 1. Demonstrate an understanding of adapted texts on content area topics (e.g. retell, identify key ideas, make connections, infer, visualize, evaluate, analyze etc.)
- 2. Identify and use a variety of text features to locate information

## **Writing Expectations - students will be able to:**

- 1. Write about a range of topics, using a variety of text forms
- 2. Organize ideas and information, using a self-generated strategy
- 3. Write sentences of different lengths, using complex sentences using low-frequency words and subject-specific vocabulary to write in a variety of forms

## Art is a subject we also teach, to practise English

## **Visual Arts Examples:**

Use creativity with various forms of arts for:

- theme related art activities
- seasonal art
- individual and collaborative creations to express feelings

or share learning



## Syllabus - Semester 1 Learning Topics

Unit 1: Everybody has a

**Body** 

Unit 2: Simple

**Machines** 

Unit 3: Nutrition -

Food Around the

World

	Guangren Elementary School	
	Semester 1 Syllabus - 2025-2026 - ESL Program	
Grade: 4	Teacher: Miss Margaret, Miss Bucy, Mr. Patrick, Mr. Manny	

#### Overall Grade Expectations:

#### By the end of Grade (4), students will:

#### Oral Communication

- 1. Demonstrate the ability to understand and interpret spoken English and to respond appropriately in a
- 2. Use speaking skills and strategies to communicate for a variety of purposes and audiences.

- 1. Read and demonstrate an understanding of a variety of adapted and authentic texts using strategies to
- 2. Use knowledge of words and cueing systems to read fluently

- 1. Write text with increasing complexity and a variety of forms for different purposes and audiences.
- 2. Use appropriate English language conventions and structures in a text.

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	Date: September 1st - October 9th	Calendar Events:
Semester 1, Unit 1	Duration: 6 weeks	Sept. 29 - Teachers Day Off
		Oct. 6 - Mid Autumn Festival
		Oct. 10 - Double 10th Day

#### Unit 1 Theme: Everybody has a Body: Me and My Body

When the students return from the holiday, we will review skills from the last school term. We will also establish and practise classroom rules and expectations for the semester, and engage in community building activities to build an effective and positive classroom community.

#### Theme Description

Our first unit will focus on the human body. The content that will be discussed are the different parts of the human and how to take care of our human bodies. Students will learn about the different body systems (e.g. Respiratory system). The students will also learn about the body parts that are related to body systems and how these body parts work. Students will discuss the differences between healthy and unhealthy bodies and learn more about how to maintain a healthy body.

Oral Communications Expectations	Reading Expectations	Writing Expectations		
Listen to an oral text and	Demonstrate an understanding	<ol> <li>Write about a range of</li></ol>		
demonstrate	of adapted texts on content	topics using a variety of		
understanding through	area topics (e.g. retell, identify	text forms.		
participation in discussion	key ideas, make connections,	<ol><li>Organize ideas and</li></ol>		
of content area topics with	evaluate, analyze).	information using a		

#### Examples of Texts/Resources Please Note: The following text titles

and audience

are connected to the unit topic. The different texts offer a range of readina levels. Some will be suitable for whole class teaching, while others are more suitable for small group teaching, independent reading or read alouds. Teachers select most appropriate texts from Raz Kids, as well as from the school resource library and additional online resources, to use as texts for their lessons during the unit.

#### Books:

- 1. DK Smithsonian: Human Body!
- 2. Inside Out Human Body
- 3. The Fantastic Body: What Makes You Tick And How You Get Sick

#### Raz Kids Content Texts (Everybody has a Body: Me and My Body)

- 1. The Body
- 2. Inside Your Body

#### Word Work Examples Verbs: Irregular verbs in the past tense

Verbs: Simple use of infinitives with would like, ask, tell (e.g. I would like to go to the concert. The teacher asked me to study hard.).

Adverbs: somewhere, nowhere, anywhere, everywhere

Adjectives: Comparative adjectives (e.g. bigger, more athletic)

Sequence markers: immediately. presently, currently, finally

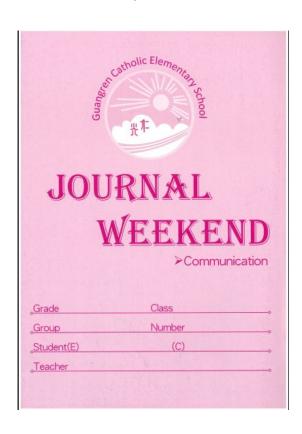
Sentence Structure: Longer sentences with one main clause (e.g. I will give you a call if I'm going to be late.)

Punctuation: Parentheses (e.g., for additional information)

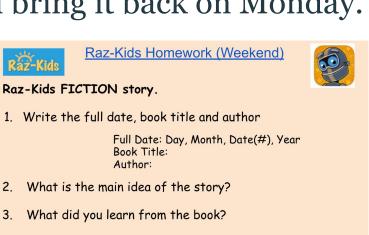
Prepositions & Conjunctions: Use words like 'yet', 'although', 'since',

#### Content Word Examples adult, age, arm, baby, basic, bath, blood, bone, brother, boy, dad, doctor, dizzy, drug, during, ear, eve. fat. friend. female. finger. food, foot, friend, gas, girl, grandpa, grandma, family, habit, hand, head, health, healthy. heart, height, inside, kid, knee, leg, lip, male, mom, mouth, neck, nose, old, prepare, quick, race. short, shoulder, slow, student, tall thin, weak, weaker, weigh, weight

## Journal/Weekend - Reminders



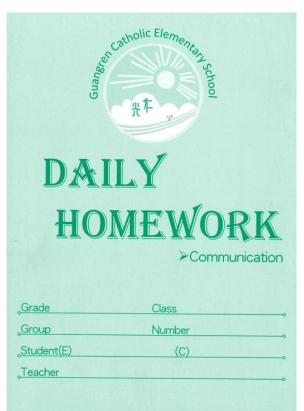
Stays in class each day for writing. Teachers will send the book home on Friday for review and weekend homework. Students will bring it back on Monday.



## Daily Homework and Communication Book - Reminders

- Bring home for homework Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday.
- Can be used for parent-teacher communication.

Monday, September 1st, 2025	Н	or	lew	ork	
Think about your summer holiday.					ı
Write 3 or more sentences.					ı
Think about:					ı
Where did you go?					ı
What did you do?					ı
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What did you see?					ı
What did you eat?					ı
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## **ESL Workbook**

- Bring home on Thursday.
- Return to school on **Friday**.
- The assigned page/s you will find it in the homework.





Speaking practise at home is crucial for building confidence and fluency in oral communication. You can support your child by being the audience they need to rehearse.

## For speaking tasks, please:

- ❖ listen to your child present their task 傾聽孩子陳 述他們的任務
- encourage risk taking for proper pronunciation, appropriate pace and use of expression 鼓勵孩子 勇於嘗試,以達到正確的發音、適當的語速和恰當 的表達方式
- ❖ ask follow up questions to encourage further English speaking practise 提出後續問題, 鼓勵孩子進一步練習英語口語
- ❖ you can ask questions in Chinese and your child can answer in English 你可以用中文提問, 你的孩子可以用英文回答

#### **Speaking Task Example**

#### Thursday

Rehearsing and Reading for an Audience

Practise singing the song "The Morning Routine Song?". After you practice, read and sing it aloud to your family.



Good morning, good morning! it's time to wake up.
Good morning, good morning. I have to get up.

I wash my face. Wash, wash wash.

I brush my hair. Brush, brush, brush.

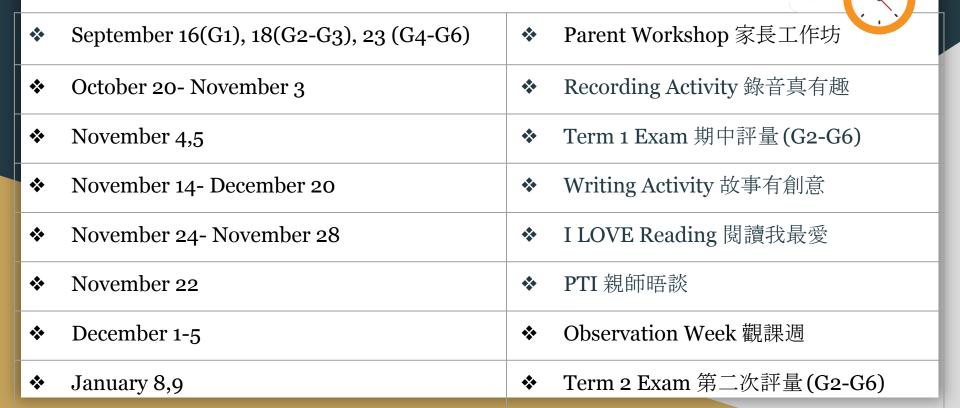
I get dressed.

Dressed, dressed, dressed.
There's such a lot to do! X2



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## Important Dates for Semester 1 第一學期重要日期



## Your Role as a Parent: Helping Your Child at Home

身為家長: 在家協助您的孩子



- ❖ Ensure your child completes homework 確保您的孩子完成作業
- ❖ Even if you do not speak English, ask your child follow up questions in Chinese and they will practise responding in English 即使您不會說英文,你還是可以以中文問您的孩子問題,請孩子以英文回答
- ❖ Encourage reading in English, using Raz Kids and books from school 鼓勵使用Raz kids 或者借閱的書籍閱讀
- ❖ Encourage listening to English through music and TV shows 鼓勵聽英語歌曲及英文影集

## Use Google Classroom to find:

- Newsletter
- Homework
- Syllabus
- Raz Kids instructions

## Encouraging Reading At Home 鼓勵在家閱讀

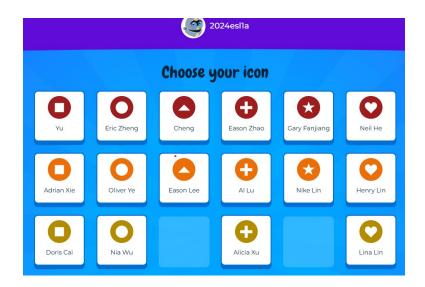
- ❖ Create a quiet and welcoming space to read. 創造一個安靜舒適的環境
- ❖ Encourage reading on RazKids each day. 鼓勵每天閱讀Raz Kids
- ❖ Ask your child questions about the books they read. 詢問您的孩子關於書本裡的內容

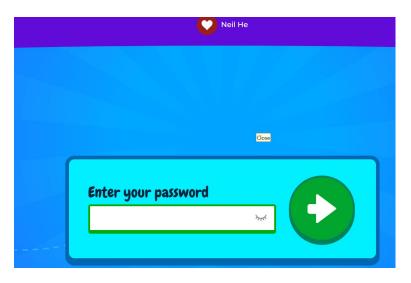


## Website: <a href="https://www.raz-plus.com/">https://www.raz-plus.com/</a>



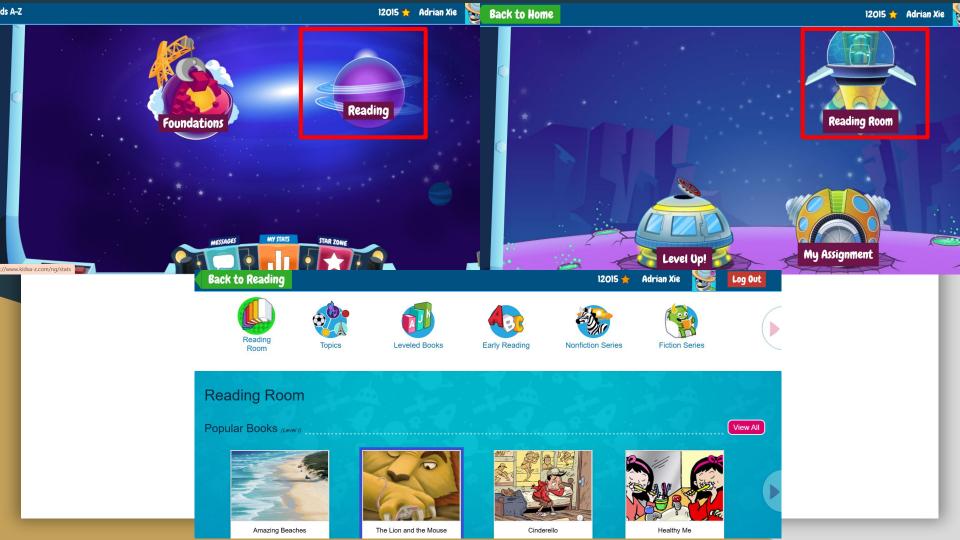


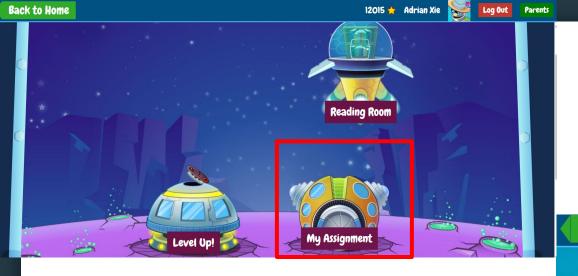




Choose your child's name

**Enter Password** 





## Back to Reading









We look forward to working with you this year!

Please communicate through the Homework Book and we will be pleased to answer any questions you have.