# ELEMENTARY VALIANT NEWS



#### The Fantastic First Graders

Learning in the SG classrooms is our fantastic 1st graders! Their teachers, Mrs. Gomez and Mrs. Averion, have been teaching the 1st graders many new things this school year. The 1st graders have really been putting on their thinking caps in the classrooms. Right now in math, the 1st graders began learning how to compare numbers. In reading, they learned how to identify main topics and subjects. In English, they are learning sentence types, such as declaratives, imperatives, interrogatives, and exclamatory sentences. "My favorite thing about these 1st graders is when I see them learning and improving," said the 1st grade teachers. "We are proud of all the hard work that these students have done." Keep up the the amazing work 1st grade Valiants!



### **Annual Free Throw Competition**

In our latest sports scoop, this week our students got to take part in the Knight of Columbus Free Throw Competition!

Students had a contest where they had to shoot a basketball into the hoop from the free throw line. The student who could make the most baskets wins an award.

This contest is not only for skill, but it was to bring kids together for some wholesome athletic competition! We thank the Knight of Columbus for sponsoring this competition. Great job to all the students who participated in the competition!





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### Look What's Happening in Art Class

Let's check in on our little Picassos at work in the art room! Starting in first grade, they learned to make beautiful masterpieces with the guidance of the art teacher, Ms. Banham. Their current unit is "A Deep Dive into Paintings." Through this, they analyze different famous paintings and replicate it with a twist to call it their own. First and second grade are working on their own Starry Night inspired by the incredible Van Gogh. Third and fourth grade are working on their own Great Wave off Kanagawa by Hokusai. Lastly, fifth and



sixth are working on a
Tree of Life by Gustav
Klimt. The art class is a
wonderful experience for
all grades and allows the
students to express
themselves in new ways.



Our K-8th grade students had their **STAR** testing this week for the second trimester. K-3 took their Early Literacy test. Then, our 1st-8th graders had their Math and English STAR tests. STAR tests are a great way for the student, teachers, and parents to see how their child is improving and where they are at. We are absolutely sure there has been growth in skills since the first window. It is better to make sure that you are taking these tests seriously. It is important to take your time and try your best at these STAR tests. After the test, you can work harder or even learn new ways to solve problems you struggle on. This can help you do better in reading and math classes. Great work to all the students for their hard work during this week filled with testing.

