Kindergarten Essential Standards Quarter 3 Our Magnet Theme: Environmental and Community Connections			
Reading	Writing	Math	
<ul> <li>Students will understand that</li> <li>When retelling fiction and non-fiction texts, they must recall the key details.</li> <li>The more sounds they learn the more the more words they can decode.</li> <li>The more sight words they learn, the more accessible books will be for them.</li> <li>When they read independently, they must always remember to read with a purpose and to understand what they are reading and when they don't they must persevere until meaning is made.</li> <li>As they learn new vocabulary and new understandings, they must use this in their conversations with others, including peers and adults.</li> <li>When retelling nonfiction/informative text, they must also make connections between texts on the same topic looking for similarities and differences in information.</li> <li>When reading non-fiction authors are purposeful in the information they include for the reader to learn and add pictures that help teach ideas.</li> <li>Vowels have two sounds and when decoding knowing this can help them figure out words.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Students will understand that</li> <li>Create how to books <ul> <li>Procedural writing teaches the reader how to do something in a sequential, organized way.</li> <li>How to books teach the reader what they will need and provide a set of steps for the reader to follow so they can learn how to do or make what is being taught.</li> <li>The pictures in 'How to' books help teach the reader how to do the steps.</li> </ul> </li> <li>Students will understand that</li> <li>Create All About informational books <ul> <li>Information writers teach the reader facts and ideas about a topic.</li> <li>Information writers write about topics that they know a lot aboutthings they do, places they go, people they know.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Students will understand that</li> <li>Numbers have names and follow a counting sequence (0-100)</li> <li>Counting can begin at a number other than 1 and still follow the counting sequence.</li> <li>The purpose of counting is to tell how many without recounting.</li> <li>Groups of objects can be compared by considering the total in each group.</li> <li>Written numerals can be used to compare more and less.</li> <li>Groups of objects (up to 5) can be recognized and combined without counting (conceptual subitizing).</li> <li>Groups can be combined or separated to create a new amount.</li> <li>Objects or groups can be decomposed in more than with way without impacting the value of the group.</li> <li>Numbers are composed of other numbers</li> </ul> Essential Questions <ul> <li>How are numbers related to each other?</li> <li>What happens when 2 numbers are joined together?</li> <li>Does the value change if we break a number into groups?</li> <li>How does joining or separating groups help us solve problems?</li> </ul>	

Science	Social Studies	Social/Emotional (character education)
Structures and Functions of Living Organisms	Culture and History "We Are Alike" "We Are Different"	
How are animals similar and different from one another?	Students build their understanding of similarities and differences across cultures and across time. This creates a	February - Responsibility March - Perseverance
How are the characteristics of living and nonliving things alike? different?	foundation for future growth in first grade. Students will understand:	
Compare characteristics of animals that make them alike and different from other animals and nonliving things.	<ul> <li>what makes each of us unique</li> <li>how differences between us help us grow our understandings of each other</li> </ul>	
Compare different types of the same animal (i.e., different types of animals.	<ul> <li>how things change over time</li> <li>Explain similarities in self and others.</li> </ul>	
Compare characteristics of living and nonliving things in terms of their: • Structure • Growth • Changes • Movement • Basic needs	Explain the elements of culture (how people speak, how people dress, foods they eat.) Explain how people change over time (self and others)	