

# Desert Sage Fourth Grade

## Mandarin Learning in Action

**Reading:** For this week's reading selection, students will learn to recognize characteristics of a photo essay, gain exposure to graphic features, and recognize main ideas and supporting details about experiences that shape identity.

**Writing:** Our first writing piece will be a personal narrative. The focus statement will be *All of our experiences help us grow and learn.*

**Social Studies:** This week we are comparing and contrasting the Mayan and Aztec cultures.

**Science:** This week students will carry out an investigation to explore and explain the interactions between Earth's major systems and the impact on Earth's surface materials and processes.

**Math:** In Topic A, students build the place value chart to 1 million and learn the relationship between each place value as 10 times the value of the place to the right.

**Mandarin:** We will review essential characters, sight words and unit 10 story from N2.

### Class supply wish list:

Thank you to all of our families for the loads of school supplies!

### Upcoming Dates and Events:

8.9 Band/Strings Rental Night 5:30 PM - 7:00 PM  
8.13 2:00 Dismissal

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