

**University of Houston Charter School  
Trailblazer Lesson Plans  
Week of February 13, 2012**

	<b>M</b>	<b>T</b>	<b>W</b>	<b>TH</b>	<b>F</b>
<b>Reading Workshop</b>	<i>Student Intern lesson</i> <u>Health and Fitness</u>	Love Poems <i>(haikus, odes, nature, rhyme)</i>	<i>Find Symbolic language in other fictional text</i>	<u>Penduli</u>	Poetry Readings  Dumb Bread Man
<b>Writing Workshop</b>	Health and Fitness Newsletters	<b>Write about yourself as a writer:</b> About the Author	Create Odes about something you treasure	Poetry Matters	<b>Fun Friday Activities</b>
<b>Word-Study</b>	Word Study: Double Consonants	Use each word in a sentence	Vocabulary Quilt	Oral Language Practice <i>Subject/verb practice</i>	Construction, Library, Games, Computers
<b>Math</b>	How many eyes, hands, feet? Adding multiples	Converting Story Word Problems Into number sentences	What did you learn about number and their relationships? <i>Journal about your thinking</i>	Math Games	Cooks with Books Bake Dumb Bread <i>(a traditional island recipe)</i>
<b>Social Studies/ Science</b>	famous American athletes	<b>Science</b> Planting Beans	<b>Social Studies:</b> American History Time line		
<b>Handwriting Without Tears</b> <i>Copy these sentences</i>	P.E.	P.E.	P.E	P.E	

**Reading Workshop- Poetry Readings-** This week we continue to enjoy the reading of poetry. On Valentine's Day, we will celebrate by having readings of love poems. Students are learning how to write poems and learn from the reading of these poems. In our writing workshop we are creating odes!

**Writing Workshop- Health and Fitness Newsletter-** Students will study the topic of health this week. Our intern, Ms. Ortega will lead the discussions on Monday. Students will visit health websites and answer questions about health. Later, students will be introduced to Publisher Newsletter templates. Using the information they have acquired, students will work in small groups with a goal of creating a Health Pack Newsletter.

**Word-Study – Double Consonant-** Students will explore the spelling patterns of words with double consonants. Students will analyze word patterns in which the double consonant is used like when or when not to add a consonant when using the gerund form—ing (*running, jumping, setting*)

**Math – Converting story problems into number equations-** As students move away from drawing pictures to represent their thinking, we will stretch their thinking to now representing their thoughts using numerical sentences. Students will first have to think about their interpretation of the problem first. What is the numerical quantity being manipulated in the story problem? How do I organize this quantity in the head? Finally, How can I represent this problem on paper? How can I use numbers to show my thinking? Solve for the answer!

**Social-Studies-** Students will learn about famous UH athletes as well as other American athletes. Students will conduct brief bios on such athletes as track star, Carl Lewis, a UH alumni, another, Carin Cone an Olympian swimmer. As an extension of this activity students will visit the Alumni Wall of Fame located on campus (*This trip is in walking distance. We will let you know date and times.*)

**Science – Planting Beans-** Students will discuss how their bodies grow using good nutrition. As they discuss these goals, they will make comparisons to how plants grow. What do humans need to grow healthy? What does a plant need in order to grow? Using beans, students will experiment with what a bean needs in order to grow. Students will make observations and develop their conclusions over a two- week period.