So...what are we going to do in TAGS, this year???

Although Covid-19 changed many things last year, we are hoping for a return to normal in TAGS this year!

Everything we do in TAGS requires LOTS of teamwork! In fact, that is our first activity! The



first day we always form collaborative teams and develop plans for the year. (Be thinking of things you want to add to the list.) We will learn using these Process Skills: **Affective Skills** – social and emotional skills; **Information Literacy** – research; **Thinking Skills** – metacognition, logical thinking, critical thinking; **Communication** – speaking, listening, writing **Creativity** – creative thinking, creative expression; **Success Skills** – career exploration, life skills, collaboration skills, success skills

We will have MANY team challenges and talk about events in the news. We will select independent study topics. We will learn more about art history and apply the elements of art in sketching and creating products.

We will continue to build leadership skills, along with a big project of community or school problem solving. We will learn a ton about the "world and everything that is in it," (That is Alexander Graham Bell's definition of geography.)

Throughout the course of the year, we will work to investigate, brainstorm, plan, and create presentations which focus on creative problem solving.

We will develop civic literacy skills to learn more about the community, state, country, and world in which we live. We will use our writing, technology, and presentation skills to compile brochures and presentations about TAGS, East Tate Elementary, and our communities. We also will learn about the history of various places in the state/country and share what we learn.

I am proud to have each of you in TAGS. You are going to be amazed at all the things you can do. I cannot wait to get started. See you soon! - Mrs. Pierce

