

Hello students,

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It has been nearly two weeks since we were last together. We have truly missed greeting you each morning and spending the days together. We hope all is well with you and your families. As your teachers must adjust to all that has happened, so must you. We know this change can be difficult. Your teachers want you to know, we are here for you and are available anytime you need help.

Starting this week we are providing weekly academic work for you to complete from home. This work will help them maintain all that you have learned this year and provide opportunities to use what you know in fun and different ways. One thing we hope you are doing every day is reading. Each week there will be new work in Literacy (reading and writing), Math, Science or Social Studies. Mr. Buchmann, Mr. Welchman, and Mrs. Winkler will provide activities and directions for each area.

## <u>Science</u>

This week we're going to think about the question, "Why would a hawk move to New York Clty?". On the attached PDF, you'll find a link to a video, and the transcript. You'll learn how to ask two questions in order to find out about wildlife and the food chain. Then, there is a second video link and transcript which further explores the food chain and the animals around us. Once you follow the links to the videos, there are additional related resources provided through the Mystery Science website. Lastly, on the PDF there are several questions and a research activity for students to complete. Be curious, ask questions and have fun!

## <u>Math</u>

Class, Class? How many of you said, "Yes, Yes". Just kidding! My class understands my humor. This feels great to provide math activities for all of you 5th graders!

This week there are three different activities with instructions in the math section of the website for 5th grade.

- 1. Create a Mandala. "How is that math?", you might ask. Well, math is all about patterns and we see patterns in numbers all the time. When math patterns are combined with art, we create a visual of those patterns.
- 2. Fraction math game reducing/determining equivalent fractions. Games are always fun!
- 3. Plan a party based on a budget. Read the direction carefully and follow the steps in order. You might actually need to do this someday!

<u>Literacy</u> - Please see the literacy document for instructions for writing and reading.

- Reading Each day of the week you should read for at least 60 minutes and journal about your thinking. Remember to think about your reading as you read. Don't just read and forget. The fiction goals a 5th grader should be working on are; Writing a summary, analyzing parts of a narrative, analyzing the author's craft technique, analyzing multiple themes, and comparing and contrasting themes. Working on these goals will prepare you for 6th grade and beyond.
- Writing This week you will go through the writing process to plan, draft, edit, revise and publish a Narrative essay. Each day will be a different part of the process. Think about the connection between your Reading of narratives and writing narratives. Continuing to work on these goals will keep your writing sharp and prepare you for 6th grade and beyond.

Remember students, if you need any help or just want to check in feel free to email us. We would like to hear from you.

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