

5th Grade News



January/February Newsletter

2022

What is your child learning?

STEM

> **Math:** We are finishing Unit 3 which focuses on division using the area model and partial quotients, order of operations and customary measurement conversions. Students will take the Benchmark Assessment, which covers Units 1-3. Then, we will begin Unit 4 which focuses on geometry, specifically quadrilaterals, and coordinate planes.

> **Science:** We are finishing our Survivor Unit identifying plant and animal adaptations that help them survive. Next, we will learn about Earth and Space.

Humanities

> **Reading:** Students will begin Unit 5 of Wonders. Students will be discovering the way things change, such as changes in the environment, and changes based off of experiences. Throughout the weeks students will be working on the comprehension skills of cause and effect and author's point of view.

> **Social Studies:** Students will be moving into Colonial Williamsburg and life in the early colonial regions.

Important Dates

Jan 3: Return to school after break!

Jan. 10-14: Comprehension Benchmark Assessment (Informational Task)

Jan 14: Halfway through Quarter 2!

Jan 17: No School—MLK Jr. Day

Jan 24-28: Math Benchmark Window

Jan 25: Conference Night 3:40-6:40 pm— Parent Request

Jan 26: Quarter 2 Ends. No school for students.

Feb 1: Report Cards go home

Feb 21: No School—Presidents' Day

Feb 24: Conference Night 3:40-6:40

Please remember to check Home Access to stay up to date on your child's grades.

How to help your child at home:

- ♥ Encourage them to practice their multiplication and division facts
- ♥ Start to give them more responsibility at home to prepare for middle school
- ♥ Discuss independent work and math homework with your child daily. Have them explain and prove to how they know their answers are correct.

"The most wasted of all days is one without laughter."
- e.e.cummings