

Fifth Grade Newsletter for the Week of September 30, 2024

Upcoming Events

October 10 & 11 – Parent Teacher Conferences – Contact your classroom teacher for details on how to sign up.

October 14-18 – Fall Break

Here's a look at the week ahead:

Spelling

We will enter Spelling List 3 and have the test on the words of List 3 on Friday, October 4.

Math

Lesson 3-9 on Monday, with Math Test 3 on Tuesday, October 1. We will cover lessons 4-1 through 4-3, Wednesday through Friday.

History

The Spanish have entered the arena, and they and the Portuguese will become bitter rivals for the many treasures to be found in the newly discovered American continents.

Science

We will be reviewing and finishing up our unit on Matter. Students will need to bring a science article from home to share on Mon./Tues., Oct. 7/8. Any appropriate science subject is fine, just 1-2 paragraphs to share with the class.

Writing

We continue our work with the EIW Story Sequence Chart, rewriting in three paragraphs the mythical tale of Daedalus and Icarus. We will focus on beginning sentences with prepositions.

Poetry Recitation

The first and second chunk of the Gettysburg Address is due for recitation this week.

The remaining due dates are:

Third chunk: “world will little note → last full measure of devotion” – due Oct. 21

Fourth chunk: “that we here → from the earth.” – due Nov. 4

Practice early, practice often!

Literature

We will finish Carry On, Mr. Bowditch and have a Socratic seminar about the themes raised in the book. We will begin our next literature book, My Side of the Mountain, by Jean Craighead George.

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Character Corner

The character trait for the month of October is Self-Regulation. Behaviorally, self-regulation is the ability to act in your long-term best interest, consistent with your deepest values. Emotionally, self-regulation is the ability to calm yourself down when you are upset and cheer yourself up when you are down. (Source: Psychology Today, <https://www.psychologytoday.com/us/blog/anger-in-the-age-entitlement/201110/self-regulation>.)

