



5th Grade News

August 16, 2024

Welcome to 5th grade! Ms. K. and Ms. Dexter are so excited to work with you this year!



Homework Expectations



As we prepare for life in middle school, we are working on time management and homework responsibility. To help students learn good habits, they will have nightly homework for reading and math.

Math practice assignments are an expectation. Students will bring home math practice Monday-Thursday, no math homework will be given on Fridays. This will begin on Monday, August 19th.

Students must read for 30 minutes each day and respond to one prompt on their reading log each night Monday through Thursday. This will begin on Monday, August 19.

In **math**, students will begin by showing their knowledge of place value, exponents, and number sense!

In **language arts**, students will have weekly spelling and vocabulary tests. Word lists will be sent home in the Friday Folder (a.k.a. Trapper Keeper Homework folder) every Monday. To earn a 4 in spelling, students must correctly spell the beyond level words in addition to words on the regular spelling list.

This year, we will be studying a variety of genres in reading and writing. Our first genre is narrative nonfiction. Our essential question (focus) for this unit is “How can experiencing nature change the way you feel about it?” We will be reading pieces about Henry David Thoreau and President Theodore Roosevelt.



In **social studies**, we will begin with the geography of the United States.



In **science**, we are going to start the year off by exploring matter. Students will learn about the different properties of matter, such as chemical versus physical, through hands-on experiments!



Other News

Toys will not be permitted during class, recess, or any other time during the school day. Leave all toys at home so they are not lost, stolen, broken, or turned into the teachers. This includes but is not limited to stuffed animals, distracting pens/pencils/erasers, stickers, playing/trading cards, make-up, etc.



Camp: We are so excited to go to camp this October as a grade level! Behavior contracts must be completed and turned in with the non-refundable deposit to the office ASAP. If a student is not able to attend due to behavioral issues, the deposit will not be returned. Watch your emails for more information to come!

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