



5th Grade News

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Pencils Needed!

5th grade is in need of more pre-sharpened pencils. Thank you, families, for donating when you can. We appreciate you!



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.

For language arts class, students must **read for 30 minutes each day** and respond to one prompt on their **reading log** each night **Monday through Thursday**.

In **math**, students will continue practicing their times tables daily. Please work on these at home with flashcards! I am encouraging students to take as many notecards as needed to create fact cards. This supports their learning with multiplying decimals this unit! Math homework will come home Monday-Thursday nights.

In **language arts**, students have weekly spelling and vocabulary tests. Word lists are sent home 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.

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Students are writing their first information piece. They are learning to paraphrase information, citing text from reliable sources. They are also learning to insert hyperlinks into their document for the sources they use. We are currently working in Unit 2 of *Wonders*. We are reading folktales and poetry. We will be learning about figurative language, beginning with personification.

In **social studies**, we are studying how English colonists changed the lives of people living in the Americas and in Africa.

In **science**, we started our next unit! During this unit, we will be exploring the cycles of matter through our ecosystems between both living and nonliving things. Students will learn all about hydroponics and even create their own environmentally friendly approach to growing plants!



Other News



Please ensure your student comes to school with healthy snack and lunch options! Soda is NOT PERMITTED at school and will be disposed of by a teacher. Water is permitted, please send a bottle with your child daily.

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.

We had a wonderful experience at camp! Students are working on google slideshow reflections of their experiences.



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