

Dear 5th grade parents,

Can you believe we are already into the second month of the school year? It was great to see everyone at Curriculum Night on Wednesday. If you were unable to attend, please see the presentation attached for all things 5th grade this year. This past week, 5th graders switched for science and social studies to begin their study on the turn of the century or electricity, completed a rigorous writing assessment, and finished their first math unit test. We hope you and your family find time to wind down, enjoy some college football, and/or just recharge and relax over this long weekend. 🏈🤓

5th T-Shirts - ACTION NEEDED

We are so excited to begin working on this year's 5th grade t-shirt! **Please fill out the form below with your child's t-shirt size and how you would like their name spelled on the t-shirt.** Space is limited so please only include first (or preferred) and last name (double last names are welcome). <https://forms.office.com/r/MwGdD46GZf>. We are also in the process of collecting 5th grade fees which cover the cost of the t-shirt as well as decor and light refreshments for our promotion ceremony. **Please see the flyer attached for the link to pay fees** online or send in cash to your child's teacher in a labeled envelope. Graduation yard signs and yearbook ad dedications are also linked for purchase on the flyer.

Blue Ridge

We have received a very small percentage of Blue Ridge permission slips and payments thus far. Permission forms and payment are due **Friday, September 5**. If we do not have enough interest, we would unfortunately have to cancel the field trip. Please use this link [Blue Ridge Info Presentation 2025](#) for information from our info session last week. This trip is a great opportunity for all students to build friendships, learn more about our ecosystems, and have fun! **If you foresee any barriers for your child joining us, please reach out to your child's teacher as we want everyone to be a part of this bonding experience!**

Payment

link: <https://osp.osmsinc.com/FultonGA/BVModules/ProductTemplates/Bvc2013/Product.aspx?productid=EN534-138>

Medication Forms: Any student requiring over-the-counter or prescription medicine of any kind, must have the SHS1 form completed. All prescription medications require a physician's signature on the form listed below and the medicine must be in its original packaging. Ask your child's teacher for a form or print and complete the attached form.

Important Dates

September 2 Labor Day, No School

September 5 All Pro Dads
 Kinderbuddies

September 8-12 Piggy Palooza

September 12 Picture Day

Upcoming Grades	
September 3rd	Spanish American War Secret Message (practice) - social studies (Chaffer/Smth)
September 4th	Electricity Quiz (minor) - science (Long/Waters)
September 5th	Readworks (minor) - ELA
September 5 th	Spanish American War Close Read (minor) - social studies (Chaffer/Smith)

Curriculum Notes

Math (On & Advanced): We will begin unit 2 and students will identify how the value of digits change based on their place value.

Math (Accelerated): Students will describe a data distribution (symmetric, skewed left/negatively, skewed right/positively, gaps, peaks). They will determine how the mean and median may be affected by analyzing a visual data distribution.

ELA: We will publish our argumentative essays, celebrate our work, and practice writing strong constructed responses.

Reading: We will begin a new text set and focus on how text features affect the author's purpose.

Accelerated ELA: We are almost half-way through our Holes novel study! We will continue reading and discussing key elements of the text next week.

Science: Students will work with different materials to create static electricity and begin working with magnets.

Social Studies: We will learn about the impact of immigration on the Turn of the Century and how American got involved in the Spanish American war. (Chaffer/Smith)

Student Success Skills: We will learn memory strategies for helping us learn new skills.

AVID: My goal is to walk quietly in line, on the 3rd square with my arms at my side without cutting in line.

Have a fun and relaxing long weekend! 🏈