

Fifth Grade Newsletter for the Week of February 9, 2026

Upcoming Events

February 13 – Teacher In-Service day, no school

February 16 – Presidents Day, no school

Here's a look at the week ahead:

Spelling

We will enter the words of List 16, with a test on these words on Thursday, February 12.

Math

We will wrap the unit on Decimals with lesson 9-10 on Monday, then Test 9 on Tuesday, February 10. Next, we learn about using the four operations with decimal numbers.

History

We will kick off The Westward Expansion by making a rustic journal and discussing how our young nation grew from 13 states on the Atlantic coast to a 50 state country spanning from sea to shining sea. Students must make and bring at least seven (7) pages of coffee- or tea-stained paper no later than Monday, February 9.

Science

Protecting Earth's Resources – This week we will discuss the water cycle and how our limited resource of fresh water is filtered and recycled.

Writing

We continue our writing from multiple resources with a five-paragraph essay on the Angel of the Battlefield, Clara Barton.

Poetry Recitation

Students have been introduced to our next recitation poem, I, Too, by Langston Hughes. Recitation of this poem will be due the week of February 22.

Geography

We have moved on to the 12 states and capitals from the Southern region. The test on these states will be on February 27. Subsequent tests will be held as follows:

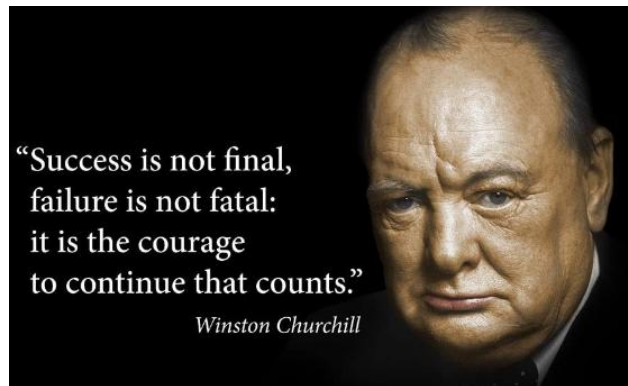
April 3	Northeast
May 8	All 50 States and Capitals

Study early, study often!

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Character Corner

The related character traits we are focusing on for the month of February are Perseverance and the Pursuit of Excellence. It is a mindset, a focus on consistent effort over long periods of time perfecting your craft. Often referred to as Grit, it is a willingness to embrace the daily grind in order to achieve our long-term goals.



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