

5th Grade Newsletter for the Week of September 14, 2026

Coming Attractions:

Friday, September 18 No School/Teacher In Service

September 22 – Field trip to the Catamount Institute

September 25 - Grandparents Day

Here's a look at the week ahead:

Spelling

We will enter the words of List 3, with a **test of those words on Thursday, September 17**. All spelling lists are available for downloading/printing on the East 5th grade website.

Math

Lessons 2-6 on Monday, review on Tues/Wed, and **Test 2 on Thursday**.

Science

We will look into how matter affects us in the real world, digging deeper into atoms.

History

We will wrap up the Pre-Columbian cultures unit and spend a brief time discussing the culture and history of England.

Writing

We begin our work with the EIW Story Sequence Chart, rewriting in three paragraphs a familiar fable of old.

Poetry Recitation

We have begun our next memorization and recitation piece, The Gettysburg Address. Every student has been provided a copy; additional copies may be printed off the website. This speech will be broken up and memorized in four chunks, the first of which ("Four score → great battlefield of that war.") will be due for recitation the week of September 21. The remaining due dates are:

Second chunk: "We have come → to add or detract." – due Oct. 5

Third chunk: "world will little note → last full measure of devotion" – due Oct. 19

Fourth chunk: "that we here → from the earth." – due Nov. 2

Practice early, practice often!

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Character Corner

Our character trait for the month of September is Curiosity. This trait will serve you well throughout your lifetime. Seeking, questioning, and wondering will not only allow you to experience a much richer life, but you will be able to explore together with others as they wonder the same things too.

The future belongs to the curious. The ones who are not afraid to try it, explore it, poke at it, question it, and turn it inside out. – John C. Maxwell
