

5th Grade Newsletter - June 2017

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PARENTS: We have less than a month of school, and the end of the year is packed with many activities and events as we get closer to summer break. Can you believe it?!

Progress Reports were sent home on Friday, May 19, 2017. If your child received a D or F, please sign the report and return it with your child to school. NWEA testing is complete. We had our last Family Night on Wednesday, May 24, 2017 and Spring Arts Festival on Thursday, May 25, 2017. Thank you for all the parents who were chaperones on our last trip of the school year to Brookfield Zoo!

HELP NEEDED! This year we are looking to gather as many volunteers as we can to ensure a safe and fun Field Day on Friday, June 16, 2017. Parents, please consider donating a few hours of your time to help make this event a success!

Upcoming Dates to Remember:

Friday, June 2nd - Health Fair/Walk-A-Thon

Friday, June 9th - Awards assembly

Friday, June 16th - Field Day

Tuesday, June 20th - Last Day of School/ 4th Quarter - Report Card Distribution

Curricular Updates

Below you will find important information and the content that your child will be learning.

Free 60 - Language Arts Enrichment

Technology Assignments - TTM, Achieve 3000, IXL

Literacy:

312 and 315 - We will be ending the novel, *The True Confessions of Charlotte Doyle*. Students are also given freedom in choosing some assignments using Layered Curriculum. Afterward, students will work on short stories and informational texts to continue to practice on annotating text, taking notes, engaging in collaborative discussions, provide text evidence as well as learning strategies such as summarizing and finding main ideas/themes. Please make sure your child goes on google classroom (312) or google docs (315) to receive assignments.

Writing:

Students are writing in their journals three days a week. They are also learning about the 6+1 Traits of writing. We are focusing on the trait of “Sentence Fluency.”

Math:

The class will be on Topic 12: Represent and Interpret Data and Topic 13 Write and Interpret Numerical Expressions. Students will engage in Math Talks that connect with real world experiences. Through questioning and collaborative discussion, students will learn to conceptually understand and deepen their knowledge about division. Remember to go on pearsonrealize.com to complete your homework assignments and to watch the videos and complete the added assignments for additional support. You can also access IXL.com to help reinforce skills if more practice is needed.

Science:

Students will be finishing up a unit called, The Water Cycle and Weather. Essential Question: How does energy flow and matter cycle in the hydrosphere? The last stop on this 5th grade science class is Earth and Space. The essential question is, “How do objects move in space?” Students will recall their knowledge from the Adler Planetarium field trip to help answer some of these questions: How does the Earth move? What is a star? What are the inner and outer planets? What are asteroids, meteors, comets, and moons?

Social Science:

We have just finished presenting the projects of tribes from different cultural regions. The Native Americans had been living in the Western Hemisphere for over 10,000 years already. Their lives were changed dramatically with the arrival of the European explorers. In this unit we will learn about background information of these European explorers and how they affected the Native Americans’ daily life style.

Technology support: IXL.com, Pearsonrealize.com, Brainpop, TTM