

5th Grade News - December 2017

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We Are Learning!

315-Vincent Cheung, Lanyra Jones, Jia Hao Mei **Star Students**

312-Vincent Li, Jasmin Li, Rashaad Armstrong

PARENTS:

In an effort to keep our students, teachers, and staff safe and secure at Haines we are implementing new rules in addition to our existing safety and security rules.

1. *Parents must have an appointment to speak to any teacher.*
2. *If a parent does not have a scheduled appointment, they are welcome to leave a note for the teacher in the office.*
3. *The office will not be calling up to the classroom if there is no meeting set.*

1) Please get connected to **Google Classroom** if you have not done so. Teachers post assignments through this platform where you will be able to help monitor your child's work on a daily.

2) Don't forget to monitor your child's grades on **parent portal: parent.cps.k12.il.us**

Free 60 - Language Arts Enrichment

Vocabulary - Synonym, Antonym, Homonym, Prefix, Suffix, Root Words (Greek and Latin)

Literacy:

312 and 315 - In reading, we are beginning to Read Maniac Magee by Jerry Spinelli

Please make sure that students have a copy of the novel. Please speak to your child's teacher if there is any issues obtaining the book. Students will continue to annotate text, take notes, engage in collaborative discussions, provide text evidence as well as learning strategies such as summarizing and finding main ideas/themes. Weekly vocabulary and comprehension tests will be given. Students are to keep their work organized in a folder and notebook/ binder.

Writing:

Students are writing in their journals three days a week. We are continuing to also take notes in regards to the 6+1 Traits of writing. Students have developed a foundation for Ideas, Organization, Voice, and Word Choice. We will continue to learn about the last traits, Sentence Fluency, Conventions, and Fluency. We will also explore Persuasive Writing Skills and Strategies.

Dates to Remember:

- December 15: Family Movie Night
 - December 20: Winter Arts Festival
 - December 25: Winter Break Begins
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- January 8: Return to School

Math:

Students will complete a Topic 1-4 Cumulative Assessment. We are beginning Topic 5: Division of Whole Numbers. Students will understand the standard procedure for division and why it works. Students will engage in Math discussions that connect with real world experiences. Through questioning and collaborative discussion, students will learn to conceptually understand and deepen their knowledge about multiplication and division. Remember to go on pearsonrealize.com to complete your homework assignments, watch videos, and complete any added assignments for additional support.

Science:

Students are will finish up the unit on Studying People Scientifically by conducting a ball toss experiment and a post test. Next, we will move into Ecosystems. Students will continue to incorporate the **Next Generation Science Standard practices**.

Social Science:

Students did great on their PowerPoint Presentations about Native Americans in North America. We are now beginning the exploration of Native Americans in Central and South America. We will focus on the Aztec, Mayans, and the Inca. Students also use NewsELA to connect to the core content. We received a donation through Donor's Choose to receive TIME Magazine for Kids (TFK) for the school year. We explore current events and ideas around the world. We are grateful for this resource as we continue to develop out non-fiction comprehension and collaborative conversation skills.

Homework Notes:

1. Make sure students are responsible of their own work and completing ALL assignments on their own.
2. Please encourage your child to read, read, read and then tell you about what they read.
3. **REMINDER: NO LATE WORK is accepted.**

NOTE: Where to pick up your children each day.

312: Monday-Door 5, Tuesday-Door 1, Wednesday-Door 5, Thursday- Door 1, Friday- Door 2

315: Monday-Door 2, Tuesday-Door 5, Wednesday-Door 1, Thursday- Door 5, Friday- Door 1