

5th Grade News - December 2018

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We Are Learning!

315- Kelly Chen, Jiaqi Ding

Star Students

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PARENTS:

In an effort to keep our students, teachers, and staff safe and secure at Haines, please adhere to the rules below 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

Word Study - Language Arts Enrichment

Vocabulary - Synonym, Antonym, Homonym, Prefix, Suffix, Greek and Latin Affixes/Root Words

Literacy:

We will continue reading novel, *Revolution is Not a Dinner Party* by Ying Chang Compestine.

Students will continue to annotate text, engage in collaborative discussions, and provide text evidence.

We will learn different comprehension skills such as using text evidence to support thinking, characterization, summarizing and finding themes. Comprehension tests will be given throughout the unit. Students will continue to practice fiction comprehension skills/strategies using CommonLit.org. Please make sure that your student is prepared and participating in class.

Students are to keep their work organized in a folder and notebook/binder.

Writing:

Students are learning about poetry. Students are expressing themselves in creative formats using imagery, mood, and figurative language. They will continue to learn and practice the 6+1 Traits of writing -Idea, Content and Voice.

Dates to Remember:

- December 5: AfterSchool Reading Program begins (selected students)
- December 14: Quarter 2 Progress Report Distribution
- December 20: Winter Arts Festival
- Dec.24-Jan.4: Winter Break-No School

Math:

In Room 312, students are learning how to multiply multi-digit whole numbers as word problems with and without decimals, as well as, utilizing models and strategies to solve equations. In Room 315, students are learning how to use models and strategies to multiply and divide decimals. Students will learn to conceptually understand and deepen their knowledge through questioning and collaborative discussions by making connections to the real world. Remember to go on pearsonrealize.com/Math Google Classroom to complete your homework assignments and Khan Academy/IXL to complete assignments for additional support.

Science:

Students have been conducting investigations to observe ingredients that do not have sediments and used simulations to understand the concept of dissolving. They will continue to figure out how to make a salad dressing without sediments. As they do, they are challenged to use their understanding of the particulate nature of matter and the properties of molecules to explain why some solids dissolve, and others do not.

Social Science:

Students have started Unit 2-Connections Across Continents. We are discussing and understanding how Christopher Columbus's voyages connected the continents causing a chain of events in our history. We will also continue using NewsELA weekly to gain a deeper understanding of our history, as well as, develop our critical thinking comprehension 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 complete summary on reading log
3. REMINDER: ONLY 1 DAY late work is accepted with valid excuse

NOTE: 312 and 315 will be entering at Door 1 and dismissing out of Door 5.

December Birthdays: -312: Katherine Lao (3rd), Jaden Dean (6th), Sheng Long (9th), Cecilia Chen, Serena Mei (18th),

William Ni (19th), Karen Xiao (20th)

- 315: Andrea Wu (23), Xueyu Liu (30)