



## 5th Grade Newsletter

# NOVEMBER 2019

### IMPORTANT DATES:

- SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT DAY - NO SCHOOL - 11/8/19
- VETERAN'S DAY - NO SCHOOL - 11/11/19
- PARENT REPORT CARD PICK UP - 11/13/19
- THANKSGIVING BREAK - NO SCHOOL - 11/28-11/29/19

#### ELA

We are finishing up the novel, [Freak the Mighty](#) by Rodman Philbrick. We will focus on vocabulary skills, finding themes, understanding the stages of the plot, citing text evidence and reading comprehension skills around the themes of identity and friendship.

#### Math

Students will work on Topic 3: Fluently Multiply Multi-Digit Whole Number & Topic 5: Division of Whole Numbers.

#### Science

Students will be learning about matter as



We would like to thank all parents that have completed the application process to chaperone this trip, it is greatly appreciated! If other parents are interested in volunteering or becoming a chaperone, please visit the CPS website at [chicagopublicschools.civicore.com](http://chicagopublicschools.civicore.com) for more information.

- **Room 312/Reading-Ms. Wright (former Armstrong):** We are near the end of reading our novel! We are continuing to cite text evidence that support our thinking, finding themes by using a plot diagram, context clues and vocabulary skills to gain deeper comprehension. There is homework everyday (Google Classroom, Reading online websites) and a reading log due every two weeks. This will be reflected on their upcoming report card.

Please check the parent portal on ASPEN to stay abreast of your child's progress. Feel free to reach me at: [maarmstrong@cps.edu](mailto:maarmstrong@cps.edu) for any questions/concerns regarding Reading (312, 314, 315), Mathematics (312), Writing (312), absences, etc. Thank you again for your support!

- **Room 314/Social Studies- Mr. Naliwajko:** Wow! The 1st Quarter ends on Thursday, November 7, 2019 for students; how time flies! I hope to see as many parents on November 13th for Report Card Pick-up. I have discussed with all students that all missing work for the 1st Quarter is due no later than Wednesday, November 6, 2019 by 2:45 p.m. Please check ASPEN for missing assignments.

Over the next few weeks, students will finish learning about Native Americans and focus on the indigenous cultures of South and Central America.

If you have any questions regarding Social Studies (312, 314, 315), Mathematics (314) or Writing (314); please email me at [dpnaliwajko@cps.edu](mailto:dpnaliwajko@cps.edu). Thank you for your support!

they dive into the chemistry of food.

## Social Science

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During the 2nd Quarter we will be learning about: Time, Continuity and Change Development of Central and South America.

- **Room 315/ Science-** Students will continue to be food scientists working for Good Food Production, Inc. Students were introduced to the problem - creating a new salad dressing with a flavor, texture, and appearance that appeals to consumers. They began figuring out how to make a salad dressing without sediments and layers. As they do, they are challenged to use their understanding of the particulate nature of matter and of the properties of molecules to explain why some solids dissolve, and others do not.

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“Alone we can do so little, together we can do so much !” – Helen Keller



## NOVEMBER BIRTHDAY

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Happy Birthday to:

- 312- Jason Mei- 8th  
Yeqi Liang-28th
  - 314-Nelson-12th
  - 315 -Tammy - 7  
-Zhou Yu - 11
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