

## Jackson Road Elementary School Fifth Grade 2023

### Upcoming Dates:

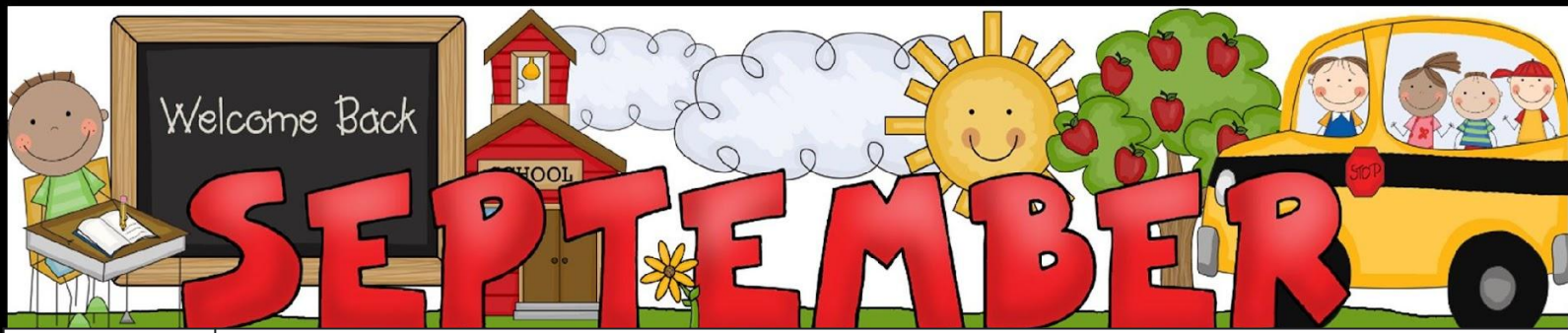
- **4th - No School - Holiday**
- **5th - Principal's Discipline Assembly**  
9:40 am
- **7th - Instrumental Assembly**  
2:30 pm
- **14th - Back to School Night**  
(Intermediate Grades)  
**6:00-7:30 pm**
- **22nd - Early Release Day**
- **25th - No School - Holiday**

### Reminders:

- If students need to bring a snack, it must be a healthy snack
- No candy or gum allowed in school
- You will be able to sign up for Parent-Teacher conferences at Back to School Night
- Please check that you have signed up for **ParentVue** so we can keep in contact with you through Synergy
- All Communication will come through Synergy and the **REMINd** app. It will look like a text notification
- Please check students' backpacks for important papers regularly
- We will have several field trips this year as well as after school activities offered; please return permission slips promptly!

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<p><b>Math</b></p>	<p>Grade level math students have started Module One of fifth grade math. We will be studying place value and decimal fractions. For the first month, students will identify multiplicative patterns on the place value chart, name decimal fraction numbers in expanded, unit, and word forms, then will use like units to compare decimal fractions. Students will use exponents and unit form to represent expanded form. They will use comparison symbols to generalize and round numbers on vertical number lines.</p>
<p><b>Math 5/6</b></p>	<p>Students will begin the year with 5th grade Module 4. This module covers multiplication and division of fractions and decimals. Students will look at line plots of fraction measurements, interpreting fractions as division, apply multiplication of a whole number by a fraction, and write fraction expressions. Students will continue to use tape diagrams and other models to support their understanding.</p>
<p><b>Benchmark Reading &amp; Writing</b></p>	<p>Our first unit in Benchmark ELA is our routines and foundations unit. Students will learn about creating a Collaborative Atmosphere in a Community of Readers and establish class expectations for smooth transitions. Students will engage in exciting word work reviews, using good listening habits, choosing a good book for independent reading, writing about reading, and journal writing.</p>
<p><b>ELC Reading &amp; Writing</b></p>	<p>For the first month of school, our ELC students through Junior Great Books, will be learning about what it means to be compassionate and to fit in. In week 4, we will also begin our literature circles. In addition, students will read and write in large and small groups. Word study has been added to our ELC curriculum. Each week, students will study words with long vowels, short vowels, open syllables, or closed syllables. Word Study is an important component of reading that helps kids understand or connect to the texts read each week.</p>
<p><b>Science &amp; Health</b></p>	<p>Our first week of marking period one will be part of our health curriculum. Students will discuss decision making strategies, and communicating and discussing emotions in healthy ways. Students will set goals for positive self change, and look at strategies for stress and time management. Our science unit called "Our Neighborhood, Our Watershed" will begin in the second week of september and students will study how waterways and runoff affect our environments. There will be the first of 3 science field trips in October.</p>
<p><b>Social Studies</b></p>	<p>Students will use social studies literacy and thinking skills to learn about the origins, structure, and functions of American government. They will learn how the Constitution established a centralized government and is a living document that reflects the changing attitudes, beliefs, and needs of the nation. They will also learn how the Constitution describes the structure and function of government, its purpose, and how individual and state's rights were impacted by the perspectives and decisions of the Founding Fathers.</p>
<p><b>Harmony SEL</b></p>	<p>Students will be building their classroom communities this September. Our first few weeks of our Social Emotional curriculum are meant to help students build community with their classmates and construct norms within their environment that help them feel accepted and confident. This will lay the groundwork for the entire year of our work in the Harmony curriculum.</p>