

# 5th Grade News

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## SPECIAL POINTS OF INTEREST:

- Please check your child's backpack each Wednesday for important flyers.
- Contact your child's teacher if you have any questions or concerns.

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## SEPTEMBER DATES

No School 9/6

No School 9/9

No School 9/14

Back to School Night 9/22

Welcome Back Picnic 9/24

Interims sent home 9/27

## It's a Brand New Year!

Welcome back! We can't believe summer is over and school is starting once again. We are all excited to begin, and are planning a fun and educational year.

In **reading**, we will begin with a unit on historical fiction. Students will identify characteristics of the genre, and they will read the novel Number the Stars. They will also be placed in ability-based reading groups to work on tar-

geted reading skills.



Your 5th Grade Team

Writing for personal expression will be the focus at the start of the year in **writing**. In September, students will focus on establishing

their writer's notebook.

### Social Studies

begins with a look at the events leading to the American Revolution. Students will identify the main causes of the war.

Our first unit in **science** is force, motion, and energy. We will start by investigating what causes motion and the 3 types of motion.

## Math Information

This year, students are once again changing classes for math. Each student received a letter on the second day of school with his or her

assigned math teacher. All switching is within the grade level, which means that they will have one of the 5th grade teachers. Math is

from 2-3:15 each day. Please contact your child's math teacher if you have any additional questions.

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## Organization

This would be a good place to insert a short paragraph about your organization. It might include the purpose of the organization, its mission, founding date, and a brief history. You could also include a brief list of the types of products, services, or programs your organization offers, the geographic area covered (for example, western U.S. or European markets), and a profile of the types of customers or members served.

It would also be useful to include a contact name for readers who want more information about the organization.



## Back Page Story Headline

This story can fit 175-225 words.

If your newsletter is folded and mailed, this story will appear on the back. So, it's a good idea to make it easy to read at a glance.

A question and answer session is a good way to quickly capture the attention of readers. You can either compile questions that you've received since the last edition or you can summarize some generic questions that are frequently asked about your organization.

A listing of names and titles of managers in your organization is a good way to give your newsletter a personal touch. If your organization is small, you may want to list the names of all employees.

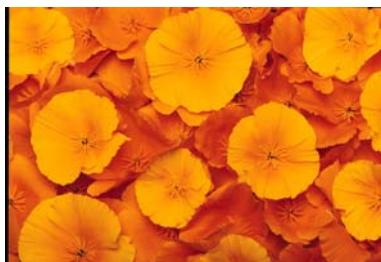
If you have any prices of standard products or services, you can include

a listing of those here. You may want to refer your readers to any other forms of communication that you've created for your organization.

You can also use this space to remind readers to mark their calendars for a regular event, such as a breakfast meeting for vendors every third Tuesday of the month, or a biannual

charity auction.

If space is available, this is a good place to insert a clip art image or some other graphic.



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