



Fifth Grade Focus

What's Happening

We cannot believe that the first quarter of school is already over. The fifth graders have been working very hard in all of their academic subjects. Students spent much of the first quarter working on two projects. Please take some time to have your child show you his or her historical fiction story and the rules assignment.

As the weather continues to get colder, we encourage students to bring the appropriate coats, hats and gloves to school so that they are ready for outdoor recess.

Helpful Homework Tips

When helping your child with homework it is important to remember some of the following key ideas:

- Provide your student with a quiet space to work.

Curriculum

Reading: Students have recently completed their study of historical fiction. Now they will begin studying author's technique in poetry and narrative texts. They will identify concepts such as mood, point of view and theme. Students will also continue to study the elements of non fiction text.

Writing: Students will identify and study different forms of poetry. They will then write some of their own poems and will eventually publish an anthology of their best work.

- Provide your child with the appropriate materials including a dictionary, pencil and paper.

In addition to these tips, you can also use some of the following online

Science: Students will continue with their study of force and motion. They will create and conduct experiments that answer some of the following testable questions: How does the mass of an object impact how much force is needed to make it move? How are force and mass related? Students will also continue to study the steps in the scientific method and will engage in science discourse.

Social Studies: Students will study primary and secondary source documents. Students will also discuss and identify the events that led up to, and caused the Boston Massacre and the American Revolution.

resources:

www.everydaymathonline.com/

www.glencoe.com

www.dictionary.com

Finally, remind your child to check his or her assignment book every night.

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Ms. South
Mrs. Marquardt

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Special points of interest:

- ☉ If you are interested in donating hand sanitizer to your child's homeroom teacher, it would be much appreciated.
- ☉ Please continue to contact the fifth grade teachers if you have any questions or concerns.

Key Dates

November 5: Cultural Arts Assembly

November 6:
Individual Pictures

November 11 and 12:
Half Days: Parent Conferences

November 25: Half Day

November 26 and 27:
No School:
Thanksgiving Holiday

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an editorial. You can also profile new employees or top customers or vendors.

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Primary Business Address

Your Address Line 2

Your Address Line 3

Your Address Line 4

Phone: 555-555-5555

Fax: 555-555-5555

E-mail: someone@example.com

Your business tag line here.



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.

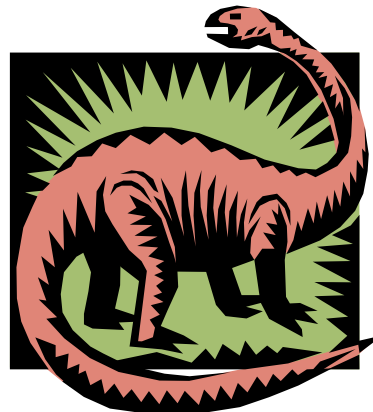
A question and answer session is a good way to quickly capture the attention of readers. You can either compile questions that you've received since the last edition or you can summarize some generic questions that are frequently asked about your organization.

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 bi-annual charity auction.



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