



November/ December Fifth Grade Newsletter

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Curriculum Updates

What Are We Learning This Quarter?

Math

Math5

- Two Dimensional Figures
- Three Dimensional Figures
- Draw Geometric Figures Using Tools
- Use Protractors to Measure Angles
- Identify Parts of a Circle

Math 6

- Length, Mass, and Capacity in the Metric System
- Length, Weight, and Capacity in the Customary System
- Add, Subtract, Multiply, and Divide with Decimals
- Add and Subtract Measures of Time
- Writing Fractions as Decimals
- Writing Decimals as Fractions

Math 7

- Scientific notation
- Positive and negative exponents

- Magnitude of numbers
- Order of operations
- Expressions
- Equations
- Operations with positive and negative exponents
- Inequalities

Science

- Static electricity
- Electric circuits
- Series circuits
- Parallel circuits
- Conductors
- Insulators
- Basics of magnetism
- Strength and effect of magnets

Social Studies

- Causes of the American Revolution
- The Declaration of Independence
- War Eras in American History (Revolutionary, Civil, World Wars)
- Women's, Civil, and Labor Rights movements

Reading

- Making Inferences
- Summarizing
- Making connections to the text
- Evaluating text
- Change generalizations
- Figurative language
- Analyzing poetry
- Literacy Circles - Poetry
- Core books - finishing The Secret Garden and From the Mixed-Up Files of Mrs. Basil E. Frankweiler
- Jr. Great Book story - Ghost Cat, The Two Brothers
- Survival Theme

Writing

- The Writing Process
- Writing for personal expression: The Journey of a Leaf
- Writing poetry
- 6 + 1 Traits - word choice, organization, conventions, ideas
- Natural Disaster Research project

Language Arts

- Punctuation (commas and apostrophes)
- Parts of Speech Subject-Verb Agreement
- Verb tenses
- Analogies
- Negatives



REMINDERS



- Please replenish your child's school supplies.
- Please be sure to check our School Notes website (and New School Notes) on a consistent basis to be sure your child is completing the correct homework assignments.
- Philadelphia payment plan - Turn in to teachers by Nov. 21



Thank you very much to the parents who helped make our Halloween parade and parties so much fun!



Important Upcoming Dates

- Early Release Day November 26
- Thanksgiving Break - Nov. 27, 28
- Geography Bee—Week of Dec. 8
- 5th Grade Play Performances: afternoon of Dec. 5
- Winter Break: Dec. 24—Jan. 4