



Fifth Grade Homework Newsletter

April 2014

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This fifth grade newsletter is designed to let you know what we have been studying in the past month. We have listed the learning topics that we addressed in April at the right.

Suggestions you can try at home to support your child's learning:

- Read for at least 30 minutes per day. Visit the library and take a look at the graphic novels. Local libraries often have a section devoted to them. Perhaps you can find an informational text in graphic novel form.
- Discuss opinions with your child. Have them explain why they like or dislike a particular food, chore, TV show, etc. Ask them to give reasons why, beyond "just because." For additional practice, have him or her write a paragraph about the subject.
- Visit the Fractions with the Area Model website below to help your child practice a new strategy they've learned for multiplying fractions. Have your child practice drawing representations of the problems they try online for continued practice.
- Observe the changes in the moon over the course of the month. Observe stars in the night sky in an area with as little light as possible.

Suggested Websites:

Multiplying Fractions with the Area Model:

<http://www2.nzmaths.co.nz/LearningObjects/fractions/index.swf>

Space Exploration:

http://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/ks3/science/environment_earth_universe/astronomy_space/activity/

Digital Flash Cards:

<http://www.factmonster.com/math/flashcards.html>

A great way to explore geography where we live and anywhere else in the world:

<https://maps.google.com/>

Topics Addressed Last Month

Reading/Language Arts

- Students have been reading literary and informational texts. Students saw how graphic novels are a genre that can be both fiction and non-fiction.
- Students continued to write opinions. Both informative and narrative writing were also practiced.

Math

- We explored and practiced strategies for multiplication of fraction by a fraction (with fractions both less than and greater than one).

Science and Social Studies

- We continued our study of astronomy. We discussed characteristics of Earth, as well as other planets, asteroids, and the moon.
- We explored multiple perspectives of American settlement and expansion.



Dates to Remember

Tuesday, April 1st and Wednesday, April 2nd,
-Science MSA 5th Grade

Tuesday, April 1st
-Family Night at Ledo's Pizza 4 - 9pm
*5th Grade Fundraiser

Wednesday, April 9th
-Report Card Distribution

Monday, April 14th- Monday, April 21st
Spring Break- No School
*School Resumes on Tuesday April 22nd



Boletin de Tarea del mes de abril 2014 de Quinto Grado

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Este boletín de quinto grado está diseñado para hacerle saber lo que hemos estado estudiando desde el mes pasado. Hemos enumerado los temas de aprendizaje que nos enfocamos en abril a la derecha.

Sugerencias que tu puedes tratar en tu casa para apoyar el aprendizaje de tu hijo:

- Lea por lo menos 30 minutos al día. Visite la biblioteca y echa un vistazo a las novelas gráficas. Las bibliotecas locales a menudo tienen una sección dedicada a ellos. Tal vez usted puede encontrar un texto informativo en forma de novela gráfica.
- Discuta opiniones con su hijo. Hagale que le explique por qué le gusta o disgusta un alimento en particular, tarea, programa de TV, etc.. Pídale que den razones, más allá de "porque." Para su práctica adicional, haga que él o ella escriba un párrafo sobre el tema.
- Visita las fracciones con el modelo de area website abajo para ayudar a su hijo(a) una nueva estrategia. Ellos han aprendido multiplicacion de fraccionarios. Has que tu hijo practique dibujando representaciones de los problemas que ellos han tratado online para continuar practicando.
- Observar los cambios de la luna en el transcurso

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Temas abordados el mes pasado

Lectura/artes del lenguaje

- Los estudiantes han estado leyendo textos literarios e informativos. Los estudiantes vi eron novelas gráficas como son un género que puede ser ficción y no ficción.
- Los estudiantes continuaron escribiendo opiniones. Informativo y también practicaron la escritura narrativa.

Matematicas

- Hemos explorado y practicado estrategias de multiplicación de fracción por una fracción (con ambas fracciones menores y mayores que uno).

Ciencias y estudios sociales

- Continuamos nuestro estudio de la astronomía. Discutimos las características de la tierra, así como otros planetas, asteroides y la luna.
- Hemos explorado múltiples perspectivas de American establecimiento y expansión.

Fechas para Recordar



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*Resumen de la Escuela Martes April 22nd