

Fifth Grade Newsletter

August 24th–28th

Ms. McMath– Math

We will be working on the following math SOL:

5.NS.2 The student will demonstrate an understanding of prime and composite numbers, and determine the prime factorization of a whole number up to 100.

Students will demonstrate the following Knowledge and Skills:

- a) Given a whole number up to 100, create a concrete or pictorial representation to demonstrate whether the number is prime or composite, and justify reasoning.
- b) Classify, compare, and contrast whole numbers up to 100 using the characteristics prime and composite.
- c) Determine the prime factorization for a whole number up to 100.

We will finish up our unit on prime and composite numbers this week. We will spend Wednesday and Thursday reviewing in class. On Thursday night, students will bring home a study guide. If you review the information with your child, sign the study guide and return with your child. Students will receive extra credit towards their test. Students will take their first test on Thursday, August 27th.

Homework: I will not be assigning homework until after Labor Day. The only homework a student may bring home is any classwork that they didn't finish in class. Please check their math folders each night. If students do not have any homework, I encourage them to practice their multiplication facts.

Mrs. Barron– Language Arts

Reading: We will begin our first unit: Self Discovery in which students will explore narrative text structures and character growth over time. We will be reading *Walk Two Moons* by Sharon Creech.

Spelling Test: Friday August 28th- Blocks 2 & 3 only

Writing: 5.W.3b Usage and Mechanics

Students will be learning about capitalization rules and the different types of punctuation marks.

Homework: I encourage all students to read at least 20 minutes each night.

Mr. Jenkins – Science/History

In class we will focus on:

5.7 The student will investigate and understand that matter has properties and interactions. Key ideas include

- a) matter is composed of atoms;
- b) substances can be mixed together without changes in their physical properties; and
- c) energy has an effect on the phases of matter.

We will be working on the Matter unit this week. Students will be learning about what all matter is made of and how to classify matter. Students should bring home their homework and study guide on Monday to have.

Unit Test: 9/3

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Other Important Information to Know...

- Please send a water bottle with your child each day.
- Please make sure to inform both your child's homeroom teacher and the front office of any transportation changes.