

# 5th Grade News



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## Week of 12/12/16 – Learning in our Classroom

<u>5<sup>th</sup> Grade Reading</u>: Students will work on Lesson 14 in their Reading textbooks this week, which includes a biography and an informational text. We will also focus on studying commas and semicolons.

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<u>Accelerated Reading</u>: The students will continue a lit study with <u>Hound Dog True</u>. All reading and activities are done in class. We will also be handing out plays and getting them ready to present to the other 5<sup>th</sup> grade classes.

<u>Writing</u>: Students will continue with the expository writing unit. They are writing an informative essay about the Everglades.

5<sup>th</sup> Grade Math: The students are working in Chapter 7 on "Expressions and Patterns." They will be learning about ordered pairs and graphing. Students should prepare for their Chapter 7 assessment next week.

Accelerated Math: We are continuing to work in Chapter 6, where we will learn about the distributive property and equivalent expressions. Students should prepare to take their Chapter 6 test next Wednesday, December 21<sup>st</sup>. We highly encourage students to complete the textbook's Chapter Review online and email their math teacher their score of 100%. Not only is it good practice, they can earn a few bonus points on their study guide.

<u>Science/Social Studies</u>: Students are continuing to work on their Science Board PowerPoints for the Science Fair. They will want to have finished up their experiments and writing in their experiment logs this week in order to move forward to prepare the Science Board PowerPoint.

## **Spirit Week**

**12/12** Disney Day and "Thank a Hancock Staff Member" Day **12/13** Crazy Hair /Hat Day and "Share a Smile" Day **12/14** Pajama and Stuffed Animal Day and "Countless Compliments" Day **12/15** Formal Day and "Thank a Friend" Day **12/16** Favorite Sport team/Hancock Day and "High Five" Day

## **Important Dates**

**12/12-16** Spirit/Kindness Week

**12/19-12/22** Hancock Dance Days in place of Block **12/22** Reindeer Run at 9:55

for 5<sup>th</sup> Grade

**12/22** Second quarter ends/Last day of school for students

**1/10** Start of 3rd Quarter

#### **Supplies Needed**

(Should you like to donate)

- Tissues
- Disinfecting Wipes
- Dixie Cups
- Chapter Books

## 5th Grade Website

**PTO Website** 

# A note from your teachers...

## **Book Exchange**

Each year, we like to do a white elephant book exchange for the kids on the last day of the quarter (Shhhh, it's a surprise!). We have bought some books already, but would love if anyone is willing and able to donate some new or gently used chapter books. There are 23 students in our class. Thank you!

### Ear Buds/Headphones

We would like for all students to bring in a pair of inexpensive ear buds in a plastic sandwich/snack bag with their name written on the bag in permanent marker to use while on the computers or Chrome books at school. They will keep their ear buds in their desk, and they will be the only one using the pair they bring in.

#### **Science Camp**

You can start paying the \$95 science camp fee at any time through the Portal. As we are waiting for fingerprinting results from chaperones, we'd like to start getting an idea of the number of students who will be going. The payment is due by Friday, January 27<sup>th</sup>.

## **Tax Credit Contributions Benefit the Fifth Grade**

Arizona law ARS 43-1089.01 enables taxpayers a tax credit contribution of up to \$400.00 per calendar year if filing status is Married, filing Joint Return; \$200.00 per calendar year if filing status is Single or Head of Household; and, \$200.00 per calendar year if filing status is Married filing separate return. These contributions can fund extracurricular activities in public schools. It is important to note that a tax credit is a full refund, not a deduction.

Contributions eligible for a tax credit are donated directly to schools, not to the state or the school district. We count on donations to fund our field trips, clubs, and assemblies – just to name a few.













