



CLASS NEWS

Dear 5th Grade Families,

We are looking forward to starting our first official month of learning with your children! Here are a few things that we are learning about in 5th grade this month!

Math Workshop:

For **Math Workshop**, students will be exploring the operations of multiplication and division. Students will refine their strategies for solving multiplication problems with 2-digit numbers, and use the relationship between multiplication and division to develop and practice strategies for solving division problems

Reader's Workshop:

After all scholars have been assessed for reading levels, we will be exploring *Interpretation of Book Clubs and Analyzing Themes* for **Reader's Workshop!** Students will begin to be exposed to a year of intellectual independence by writing about their reading analytically. Once we sharpen our reading and thinking skills, we will be able to see more significance in a text and to trust what we notice for a reason. With great literature in hand, students will embark on a study of interpretation. Soon, we will begin to work in small book clubs that will last for the remainder of the unit. Book club members will work together to identify the themes that thread through their texts. They will learn the art of interpretation by linking ideas and building larger theories.

Once all testing is completed look for students to be on reading at their level every night. This is key to growth!

Writer's Workshop:

For the month of October, students will be working diligently on their personal narratives for **Writer's Workshop!** We will explore narrative crafting techniques that will emphasize elaboration, revision, and meaning. It is our goal for scholars to dramatize a scene to capture the unfolding experience on the page. Additionally, we will continue to self-evaluate and set goals as we move forward.

Please feel free to e-mail me with any questions or concerns regarding your child academically.

As always, I will be available every Tuesday for *Parent Engagement* from 2:40-3:20 pm for any questions or concerns regarding your child. Please contact me, so that we can set an appointment.

"By teaching you will learn. By learning you will teach." – Latin Proverb

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Important Dates:

10/8- Columbus Day (No School)

10/26- PTA Falloween 5-7PM

11/8- Picture day for Grade 5

11/12- Veterans Day (No School)

11/15- Parent Teacher Conferences

11/22- Thanksgiving (No School)

