

Mrs. Hartgraves' Fifth Grade Weekly Recap

Week of: December 14, 2016

District 300 is committed to helping students reach their potential as self-directed learners and responsible citizens.

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Birthday's this Month

- Vince, Ximena, Sasha & Adrian

Pledge Announcers:

- Nicole, Louis & Bianca

I hope everyone had a fun and relaxing break. I know it was great to see family and friends and celebrate, but it also has been great getting to see all the students again. They had such entertaining stories to share when they returned!

Just a reminder to all parents- our second payment of \$20 for Camp Duncan will be due on February 12, 2016. I will be sending home a packet that will list everything that the students will need to bring with them on the trip. If you would like to chaperone, please fill out the form and turn in your payment- **also please be aware that you need to fill out a pink volunteer form before you are allowed to go. IMPORTANT: If your child needs to take any medication while at Camp Duncan, you are required to fill out the school's medication form.** This means even if your child needs to take any over the counter medication, such as Tylenol. **This sheet requires a doctor's note.** If you have questions please contact me, or if you would like a form then I can send that home.

Due to the short week next week, I will not be sending a newsletter home.

Thank you again for all that you do!

Content Covered This Week

Math

Unit 4: Lessons 1, 2, 3, 4

We are discussing various strategies for multiplying multi-digit numbers with zeros and five, exponents, and two digit multiplication. The students do a whole group lesson with student leaders, and then get group practice with workbook pages. The students have an opportunity to work in groups given an activity card, which they solve with their partner, and then write in their math journal using mathtalk according to their math prompt.

Continue to work on math facts!

Reading

Book: Social Studies textbook (non-fiction)

Big Idea: Progress Moving Forward Making Life Better

Idioms of the Week: On Thin Ice & Cold Feet

Science: Civil War

We are discussing some of the events that led up to the start of the civil war. We have discussed the conflict that arose between the North and the South. We continue to discuss studying strategies which will be used throughout Middle School. We are using our Textbook, worksheets, simulations, and videos to discuss this topic.

Writing- DARE Essay

It's that time! The students have been brainstorming what they have learned and how DARE will impact their lives when they write a DARE essay. They are also including elements of an informational writing that they have been practicing in the first half of the school year. The student who creates the best composition will be chosen to read his/her essay at the DARE graduation in February 3, 2016.

We hope to see you there!

Specials Schedule



Music

C and E Day 11:35-12:05



Media

B Day 11:35- 12:05



PE (Bring gym shoes)

A and D Day 11:35-12:05

Mark Your Calendar

- Every A Day- book check out
- Jan-Feb (Tues, Thurs)- Fitness Club
- Jan 14 (Thurs)- Early Release (12:30)
- Jan 15- No School
- Jan 18- No School (MLK)
- Feb 3- DARE graduation
- Feb 12- 3rd Genre Genius due
- Feb 12- Camp Duncan payment due
- April 7- PARCC Testing

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***Please sign the Friday Folder to let me know that you have looked at this important information, and so that we can stay in close communication.

*I will check each folder on Monday morning and get back to you right away!



Please remember to have your child bring his/her folder to school on Monday!