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Fifth Grade News

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Dear Parents,

We are very excited about all the great things happening at Caughman! We have chosen to share a few things going on in fifth grade through this newsletter. Please take a few moments to review what we will be working on with our students over the next couple of weeks.

As always, if you have any comments, questions, or concerns; feel free to contact us at 803-783-5534 or via teacher's email.

Academic Work at a Glance

Reading/ English Language Arts:

During the month of October, students are expected to read for literary experience and to read to be informed. Please keep track of your child's reading as the South Carolina Department of Education has launched its "Read Your Way To The Big Game !" a reading incentive contest. Each student has their own reading form and flyer related to the contest to track their reading progress.

Writing

Good writers write about what they know best. If your child spots a particularly intriguing picture or photograph, or if your family had a recent memorable occasion, consider encouraging your fifth grader to include it in his/her writing journal.

This will be helpful since we are currently working on writing personal narratives and things that matters to them most.



Upcoming Events

October

October 3: D.A.R.E. Field Trip

October 30: Harvest Fest Day and Parent Teacher Conference Night (5-7)

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Mathematics

The students are currently working on Place Value and Decimals. **It's imperative that students know their multiplication and division facts to be successful in fifth grade.** Homework will be given each night in Math.

Social Studies

In Social Studies our fifth graders are finishing up the unit on Reconstruction. They will be engaging in Westward Expansion for the next unit. We will be learning about the movement of people from the South after Reconstruction. Students are encouraged to read over their notes each night. Students will later be given information to use Social Studies Weekly online.

Science

In Science, students are working on Forces and Motion. We will be conducting a variety of science experiments during this unit. It is important that students follow all safety rules during this process. If students are not following the rules they will not be able to participate. Students have been given a Marble Roller Coaster project to be completed within the two weeks. Projects are due Tuesday October 15, 2019.

FIFTH GRADE BIGGIES!

Every student must have a book to read with them at all times ;

- Homework is assigned Monday through Thursday (usually) and is expected on the due date. ELA reading logs and any other ELA homework is due on a Friday.
- It is an expectation that students will use their homework agenda daily.
- Please check your child's assignment book every night. Some assignments are long-term and students will be given due dates.
- Fifth grade is a transition year between elementary school and middle school. Therefore, it is important for all of us to help our students foster more independence. For example, we encourage students to approach their teacher(s) on their own with a concern or a problem so that the teacher and the student can work together to find a solution.