

# Grade 5

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Newsletter



## Language Arts

Dear Parents,

We would like to welcome our students to Fifth Grade. We are looking forward to getting to know both you and your children this year.

Fifth Graders will achieve much this year in terms of academic growth, greater self-confidence and improved social skills. We do encourage independent reading for pleasure.

Developing the love of reading is important for a child's educational future. Please ensure that children review the Elementary School Parent and Student Handbook to get them more acquainted with specific behavior rules that can be linked to classroom routine.

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In this month's humorous fiction selection, *A Package for Mrs. Jewls*, we'll read about a school where the students and teachers are unusual, and the teaching methods are even stranger! Still, Mrs. Jewls' class learns an unexpected lesson. We'll find an answer to the question "How can an experiment clarify an idea?" We'll also read the readers' theater selection 'Questioning Gravity', which is about a science-related interview.

**This Month's ... Target Vocabulary is:** disturbing, interrupted, squashing, specialty, struggled, staggered, wobbled, collapsed, numb, shifted.

**Vocabulary Strategy:** Using context clues

**Comprehension Skill:** Story structure-examine details about characters, setting, and plot.

**Comprehension Strategy:** Summarize- briefly tell the important parts of the text in your own words.

**Writing Focus:** Narrative writing-short story.



# Math

This month Fifth Graders will start by reviewing some basic concepts related to place value. Students will be reading, writing, and identifying place value in whole numbers and decimals. They will be writing standard form, expanded form, and writing with exponents, along with rounding, comparing, ordering whole numbers and decimals.

# Science

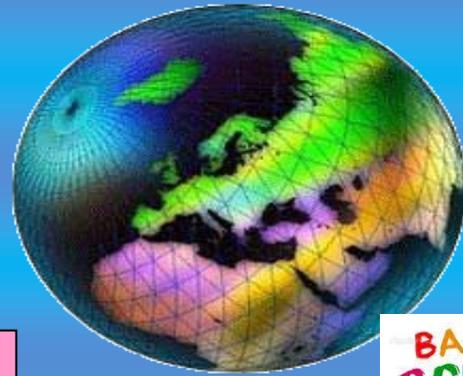
Fifth Graders will be investigating producers, consumers, and decomposers. They will go on to find out how energy is on the move and that sunlight is the start of food chains. Students will be able to investigate the action of different decomposers and compare their role in an ecosystem with that of producers and consumers. Students will be able to classify organisms as producers, consumers, decomposers, predators and preys based on their relationships and interactions with other organisms in their ecosystem.



Every other Tuesday a student from each class will earn a Reading Cookie. Our Honor Corner is where we put their photos, showing them how proud we are of them.

A monthly assembly will be held at the end of every month where all the Elementary students will meet in the Small Hall to share ideas, achievements, and gains.

# Social Studies



Fifth Graders will be introduced to a more elaborate study of maps and the different information they get to know through them. They will be studying the different bodies of land and water.

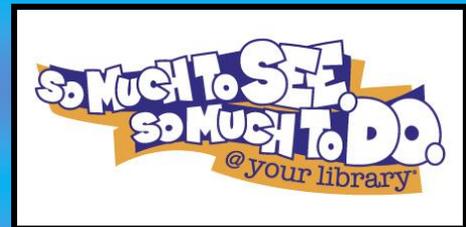


## Up-Coming Events

9/8 Grade 5 Orientation 3:30-4:30

9/22 Fall MAP Testing

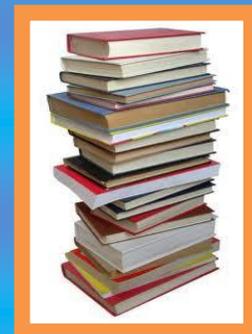
# Social & Emotional Learning



In Social and Emotional Learning, we are using a new program called **Lions Quest**. At the heart of this program is the belief that young people are resources who can make a positive difference in the world.

In September, Fifth Graders will be learning to connect with others and to build relationships by introducing themselves and talking about shared interests. Help your child practice these conversation skills by discussing your interests—your own and the interests you share.

Students will be asked to use what they learn to complete the Family Connection activity.



A book is like a garden carried in the pocket.



Rishika Jato's Inspirations