

# Ah-"Mason" Happenings in the Fifth Grade

## Week of August 28- September 1



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### Things to Know

#### Upcoming Events:

- August 31<sup>st</sup>, Progress Reports
- September 4<sup>th</sup>, Labor Day, No School
- September 8<sup>th</sup>, Grandparents' Day
- September 11<sup>th</sup>, Parent Academy
- September 18<sup>th</sup>-22<sup>nd</sup>: Fall Break, No School

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### What We're Learning This Week

#### Reading, Language Arts, & Writing

Through our current novel, we will continue to discuss figurative language and literary elements while we still work on improving comprehension and fluency. We will have a vocabulary test on Friday, September 1<sup>st</sup>. Please check your child's folder for a study guide. In writing, we have begun incorporating the use of Google Classroom. Your child will be working on developing and improving their ability to respond to narrative constructed responses. Please know that you will probably notice that your child is bringing home fewer papers. This is because we are completing a majority of our work online.

Dear Parents,

If you've been waiting to purchase a HCES spirit wear shirt, please know that our PTO will be placing the one and only order for additional shirts at the end of the week. Your order forms must be turned in by **Wednesday, August 30<sup>th</sup>**. Also, if your child has been participating in our morning running club or yoga, please make sure that your child understands that he or she may not go to breakfast after being dismissed from these activities. Should your child need to eat breakfast, they may do so before attending these morning events. We appreciate your cooperation and help with this matter. Lastly, we still have some parents who have not joined ClassDojo. Please be sure to sign up if you have not already done so.

Thank you,  
Fifth Grade Teachers

### Math

We are dividing with base ten blocks, modeling with drawing, and using the algorithm. You can help your student at home by practicing multiplication and division facts daily. A great card game to practice these skills is called, Multiplication Peace. Ask your student how to play! While playing, you may make face cards any number that they struggle with. Thank you for your help and assistance!

**Science:** We will expand our knowledge of cells to include how they can exist in either single or multi-celled organisms. We will also research and discover how microorganisms can be beneficial or harmful to people.

**Social Studies:** We will continue to delve deeper into our understandings of the Civil War. **\*\*\*Students in Wild's social studies classes will retest over the Bill of Rights. A study guide has been sent home.**