

# Ah-"Mason" Happenings in the Fifth Grade

## Week of August 7-11



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Don't be OUT!**  
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### Things to Know

Please consider joining our PTO page on Facebook at Hill City Elementary PTO. Thank you!

#### Upcoming Events:

- August 21<sup>st</sup>, No School
- August 25<sup>th</sup>, PTO Movie Night at 6:00 PM

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### What We're Learning This Week

#### Reading, Language Arts, & Writing

We will begin reading our first novel, *The Mostly True Adventures of Homer P. Figg*, next week. This novel will transport us back in time to the Civil War and will be a nice springboard for discussions in social studies. We will have a vocabulary test on Friday, August 11<sup>th</sup>. Please find the study guide in your child's folder.

In writing, we will be beginning our study of narrative writing and will be focusing on writing compound and complex sentences. We will also continue to review parts of speech.

Dear Parents,

Welcome back to another year on the hill! We are so excited and look forward to a successful year with your child. You will receive a weekly newsletter every Friday letting you know what is happening in your child's classes. Your child's agenda will also be a valuable source of information. However, please do not write transportation changes in your child's agenda. Transportation notes must be sent to the office, so please write all of these notes on a separate sheet of paper. Also, please remember birthday invitations are not to be dispersed at school. Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Again, thank you for the opportunity to teach your child. If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact us.  
Fifth Grade Teachers

### Math

We are reviewing addition and subtraction with 3 and 4 digits. We are also learning about multiplication and larger digit multiplication. Please remember to review basic multiplication/division facts with your child. We will be using these daily.

**Science:** We will begin our studies of plant and animal cells.

**Social Studies:** We are learning about citizenship and exploring the concept of due process of law. We will also discuss how the Constitution protects our rights as citizens.