

Ah-"Mason" Happenings in the Fifth Grade

Week of February 5-9



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Things to Know

Please consider donating Vienna sausages for
Snack Packs!

Upcoming Events:

- February 19th-20th: Winter Break
- March 5th-March 9th: Book Fair
- March 6th: Field Trip

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What We're Learning This Week

Reading, Language Arts, & Writing

We will continue to read our novel, *Number the Stars*. We will have a vocabulary test on February 9th. You can find a study guide in your child's Friday folder. In writing, we will begin our unit on opinion writing. Students will read paired texts and make a stance on which article they support. We will be discussing how to effectively incorporate and write a call for change.

Dear Parents,

The flu, strep throat, and stomach virus are all running rampant throughout the school. Please know that we are doing everything in our power to keep our students healthy, but we need your help at home, as well. Please encourage your child to wash their hands with warm, soapy water and to sneeze and cough into their elbow. If you suspect your child is sick, please take precautionary steps to prevent the further spread of germs. Also, if your child is absent due to a fever, your child **must** be fever free for at least 24 hours without the use of fever reducing medication.

Lastly, field trip permission forms were sent home last week. Please make sure to get these turned back in, so we can provide the aquarium with a final count of students attending. Thank you so much!
Warm regards,
Fifth Grade Teachers

Math

Smith: We are working on mixed numbers and adding and subtracting mixed numbers.

McEntire: We are working on adding and subtracting fractions with unlike denominators, equivalent fractions, and finding parts of whole.

Science: Mrs. McEntire's students will continue their studies of classification. Mrs. Lo's classes will continue to learn about static electricity.

Social Studies: We will continue our studies of World War II by learning about important events, especially Pearl Harbor, and researching the Axis Powers.