# 5th Grade News

October 27th, 2023

#### Parent/Teacher Conferences:

Conferences will be held on Wednesday, November 1 from 12:30-5:00 and on Thursday, November 2 from 4:00-6:30. You will need to sign up with both teachers, Alderink and Mitchell, as conferences are held separately. Also, please plan on bringing your child to the conference with you.

## Halloween Party:

Our Halloween party will be held on October 31 from 2:10-3:10. This includes time for students to go outside for recess and see everyone else's costumes. The fifthgrade staff will be buying all supplies/snacks needed for the party. Please send \$2.00 before October 30<sup>th</sup> to help cover the cost. Students will have time to change into their costume, please do not send your child to school in costume as the remainder of the day will be normal instruction.



#### Math:

In math we have been working on multiplication and estimation quite a bit for the last couple of weeks. We are now beginning to work on division and will be for the next two weeks. Please continue to encourage your child to complete their

homework which they receive every day but Friday. Students have many opportunities to ask questions about concepts they do not understand.



### Language Arts:

This week students were introduced to folktales. They learned the elements of a folktale such as a magical elements, overcoming obstacles and the power of three. We will continue to read another folktale next week.

<u>Spelling</u>: Spelling words will be sent home at the beginning of each week. Students are expected to write the words twice on the front side and fill in the word meaning side as well. The papers are due back to school on Thursday of each week.

AR Reading Goals: New AR goals are set. These goals are based on reading for 30 minutes each night at your child's reading level.



**Science:** Students took their first unit test in science this week. They will be handed back at conferences. A review sheet and jeopardy game were used to prepare for the test. Our next unit of study will be the watery planet.



## History:

In history we are continuing to study the "Age of Exploration". We are pretty much done studying the early explorers and will study slavery and the kingdoms of Africa next week. We then will begin reviewing for an upcoming test I am planning to give on October  $25^{th}$ .



All American Hero sheets were sent out Friday. All-American

Heroes displayed good behavior, have done an excellent job getting their work done on time, have earned good grades, and have been participating well in class over the past couple weeks of school.



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### Dates to Remember:

Nov 1 & 2: P/T Conferences

Nov 22-24: Thanksgiving Break

May 24: Greenfield Village and Henry Ford Museum trip