

5th Grade News

September 15, 2023



Tie Club



Tucker

Last week Tucker Newland earned a tie for displaying an excellent attitude as well as showing kindness and helpfulness to others. Tucker has been a great example to the rest of the class on how to treat people with selflessness. Thank you very much for your effort.



Zirena



Malachi

This week Zirena Niemiec and Malachi Hughes earned ties. Both students have made an excellent effort this year to follow directions. They are always attentive in class, and we can rely on them both to make good decisions. Great job and keep it up!

Meet Mrs. Plooster:

Hello parents! I had the opportunity to introduce myself to many of you during the open house! To those of you who do not know, I am a student teacher this year for Mrs. Mitchell. I attend Ferris State University as an Elementary Education Major. I will be taking over the class next week! I am very excited to spend the next ten weeks with your students and helping them grow. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to reach out to me!

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Study Time:

Your child has 20 minutes of study time at the end of each day. This time can be used to complete math, spelling or any other assignment. If all assignments are completed, students can read and take AR tests. Please ask your child if he/she is using that time wisely,



Math:

In math we are finishing up our work with decimals. The past two weeks we focused on addition, subtraction, multiplication, and division of decimals while continuing to practice place value, powers of ten, exponents, and rounding.

Next week Monday we will review, Tuesday we will have a test, and Wednesday we will begin a unit where we will focus much more on multiplication and division.

Don't forget that students will be receiving homework in math every day of the week in 5th grade (except for the weekend and test days).



Language Arts:

Students have been working on key ideas and details this week. They read a narrative nonfiction story about a camping trip with President Roosevelt and John Muir. Students have also worked on cause and effect relationships within the story.

Spelling: 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: AR Goals are set. These goals are based on reading for 30 minutes each night at your child's reading level. **Today is the 50% checkpoint for AR. Please ask your child about his/her progress.**



Science: This week students have been working on how to weigh air. They watched a demonstration with balloons and a balance scale. They also had their first science quiz. These quizzes were passed back on Thursday. Your child had the opportunity to fix and return the quiz for a better grade. Please ask your child if they fixed and returned it.



History:

The past two weeks we have studied the Southwest and the Plains Native Americans. Students learned what these regions of the present United States are like and what it was like for the Native Americans to live there.

Next week students will learn about the Eastern Woodland and Middle America Native Americans before moving on to study exploration.



Next week is spirit week for the students.

MONDAY: HAT DAY
TUESDAY: CRAZY HAIR DAY
WEDNESDAY: SPORTS DAY
THURSDAY: SUPERHERO DAY
FRIDAY: BLACK & ORANGE DAY



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All American Hero sheets are going home with students today. 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. The All-American Heroes are the following:

Mitchell: Ana De la Rosa, Emma Deeren, Aly Greene, Malachi Hughes, Melanie King-Waite, Kiarra Rider, Harper Suntken

Alderink: Korbyn Baldwin, Emily Barron, Amya Campbell, Colby Eubank, Rory Krick, Blake Lawe, Tucker Newland, Zirena Niemiec, Rose Norman, Avery Ostrander, Rodney Sommerfield



Dates to Remember:

Sept. 20: Half Day (Release at 11:30)

Oct. 18: Picture retake day

Oct. 20: Half day (release at 11:30)

Oct 23: Fall Break (No School)