

Take5!* - A brief update of fifth grade

<p>Mr. Allen's Math We have started each class discussing algebra. Students are gaining comfort using algebra as a problem-solving strategy. Soccer ball math group has been exploring data and statistical questions. Airplane group has been working on Area of rectangles. I have encouraged our students to make lots of mistakes...that's how we learn!</p>	<p>Mr. Perkins' Math We've started every class by reviewing multiplication strategies. As a group, we came up with a common goal of improving our multiplication and division skills. Quizzing your child over his/her multiplication facts will help them as they strive to reach this goal. We have begun to study area. We will explore area with regular shapes, as well as talk about the real world applications of this skill.</p>	<p>Mrs. White's Math We've had some fun with logic puzzles and brain teasers as a way to realize that math is a way of thinking not just a calculation. We've begun studying area. Your child should be able to show you how to find the area of a regular shape as well as be able to tell you when you would use this skill outside of math class.</p>
<p>Science In Science class we have been constructing atoms and molecules. H₂O, CO₂, and CH₄. Ask your child about all of these compounds! More to come on atoms, elements, and the Periodic Table!</p>	<p>Social Studies Our big ideas of the week have been CIVIL DISCOURSE & Social Studies is part of everything. We are finishing up class presentation defining the strands of Social Studies and will have a quiz in the 2nd half of the week.</p>	<p>Spelling Spelling starts next week!</p>
<p>Book Orders Book Orders have been sent home with your child. If you would like to order books, the due date for that is 9/15. You can also order online by using the class code at www.scholastic.com/readingclub. Make sure all checks are payable to Scholastic Reading Club.</p>	<p>Reading Students are reviewing the process of choosing the right book for them. Students have been reading independently and recording the books they have read in their reading logs. Please ask your child to show you their reading log, as well as the book they are reading.</p>	<p>Narrative Craft Your children began using their composition books to notebook ideas. This collection of ideas is going to be helpful when your child is asked to draft their first personal narrative.</p>
<p>Other Volunteer Training & PTO Meeting: 9/14 at 7pm Band Parent Info Night: Thursday 9/15 from 6:30-7:30 in the Music Room</p>	<p>Contact: Pat Allen pallen@rsu26.org Derek Perkins dperkins@rsu26.org Deb White dwhite@rsu26.org school # 866-2151</p>	<p>Homework Everyone should be reading or listening to books at least 30 minutes every day. Ask your student about their other homework assignments.</p>

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