

## Grade 5 Newsletter

Week 29: April 30-May 4, 2023.

### Message from the Grade 5 Team:

**ELA:** "Why should we care about garbage?" That is the big question we are exploring in this unit. To answer it, we are reading, writing, and talking about trash as a resource. Be a part of our exploration!

**Math:** This week we continue learning about fractions. A fraction is a part of a whole number, and a way to split up a number into equal parts. It is written as the number of equal parts being counted, called the numerator, over the number of parts in the whole, called the denominator.

**Science:** In Science we are studying fossils and what fossils can help us learn about Earth's past. Fossils are the preserved remains, or traces of remains, of ancient organisms. Fossils are not the remains of the organism itself! They are rocks. A fossil can preserve an entire organism or just part of one. Fossils can be very large or very small. Preserved remains become fossils if they reach an age of about 10,000 years. Some of the oldest fossils are those of ancient algae that lived in the ocean more than 3 billion years ago. An appropriate website is sponsored by the American Museum of Natural History in New York City:

<https://www.amnh.org/exhibitions/permanent/fossilha%20lls?src=e>

Share the excitement with the whole family!

### English Language Arts

**Reading Selection:** Message in a Bottle by David de Rothschild

**Essential Question:** Why should we care about garbage?

**Language Focus:** Persuade

**Content Vocabulary:** plastic, pollution, recycle, reduce, renewable, reuse

**Academic Vocabulary:** argument, balance, debate, evidence, solution

**Reading Strategy:** Synthesize

**Genre:** Essay

**Grammar:** Adverbs

### Math

**Book/Chapter/Unit/Topic** Chapter 10 Multiply Whole Numbers and Fractions Lessons 9.12; 10.4; 10.6

**Key Vocabulary:** estimate, mixed numbers, commutative property, fraction

**Essential Question:** How can equivalent fractions help me add and subtract fractions?

### Science

**Book/Chapter/Unit:** Science Fusion: Unit 10: What are Fossils? **Lesson:** 1

**Big Idea:** Fossils help us understand Earth's history.

**Essential Questions:** What are fossils?

**Science Vocabulary:** fossil, cast, mold, fossil fuel

## Homework

\* Homework is due on Thursday each week.

<b>ELA IXL Skills</b>	<b>PP3 and PP5</b>
<b>Math My Math Student Book</b>	<b>Pages: 687 – 688, 729 – 780, 743 - 744</b>
<b>Science IXL Skills</b>	<b>S2</b>

**Important notes:**

- **Sick notes must be submitted to the reception within 3 working days of the absence.**
- **Please make sure to return library books on time so the others may borrow them and to avoid possible charges.**



### STAR STUDENTS OF THE WEEK



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<b>5B</b>	Abdullah Nawaf Al-Mutairi
<b>5C</b>	Waleed Khaled Al-Mutairi
<b>5D</b>	Eman Sultan Al-Mutairi
<b>5E</b>	Mariam Slamah Al-Enezi

