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Grade 5 Newsletter

Week 16: December 17-21, 2023.

Message from the Grade 5 Team:

- **ELA:** "What is justice?" That is the big question we continue to explore in this unit. To answer it, we are reading, writing, and talking about fairness and human rights. Be a part of our exploration!
- Math: In our Math we continue with Chapter 5. Students will apply their understanding of the meaning of operations using whole numbers to decimals. They will be extending previous experiences with place value understanding to adding and subtracting decimals.
- Science: In Science we will start a new unit, Unit 5 Ecosystems. In this unit students will learn how all living organisms are interdependent upon each other, as well as the nonliving factors within an ecosystem. In this unit, students will also learn about environmental problems and how these problems are impacting our world. The activities in this unit provide students with opportunities to develop skills such as observation, critical thinking, communication, and creativity.

MAP Testing Reminder: Testing starts on January 8, 2023. Scores count as a marked grade.

Practice on https://prepdog.org/ using Grade 4 not 5.
Sick Notes and Short Leaves: Submit sick notes within 3 days.
Short leaves without proof of the appointment will be marked 0 for CW.

English Language Arts

Reading Selection: Journey to Freedom by Peter Winkler

Essential Question: What is justice?

Language Focus: Justify

Content Vocabulary: abolish, emancipation, escape, law, plantation, slavery.

Academic Vocabulary: distinguish, equality, freedom, risk, route.

Reading Strategy: Make Inferences

Genre: History Article

Grammar: Present Tense Action Verbs

Math

Book/Chapter/Unit/Topic Chapter 5 Add and Subtract Decimals Lessons 7 and 8

Key Vocabulary: decimal, round, sum, difference, place value

Essential Question: How can I use place value and properties to add and subtract decimals?

Science

Book/Chapter/Unit: Science Fusion: Ecosystems Unit 5 Lesson 1

Big Idea: Ecosystems change over time, both naturally and as a result of human activity.

Essential Question: What is an ecosystem?

Science Vocabulary: environment, ecosystem, population, community, habitat, niche

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Homework

* Homework is due on Thursday each week.

ELA IXL Skills	IXL: BB4 and OO1		
Math IXL Skills	AA5		
Science IXL Skills	P1		



STAR STUDENTS OF THE WEEK



5A	Abdullah Abduraheem Al-Hashemi			
5C	Omar Abdulaziz Al-Mutairi			
5D	Layan Nawaf Al-Mutairi			
5E	Muneerah Mohamad Al-Mutairi			