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# Grade 5 Newsletter

Week 28: April 13-17, 2025.

# 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 explore it, students are reading, writing, and discussing the idea of trash as a resource. Join the conversation at home! Review the new vocabulary words together and talk about how your family handles trash. What items get reused, recycled, or composted? What ends up in the garbage? Try using some of the new words during your discussion to reinforce learning.

**Math:** We're diving into Chapter 9 this week, which focuses on adding and subtracting fractions. This week, students will also begin learning how to write fractions as decimals. These skills help build a strong foundation for understanding numbers in new ways.

**Science:** This week, students will review what they've learned in Lesson 3 about Earth's motion and patterns in the sky. They'll revisit key concepts such as Earth's orbit, the moon's phases, and seasonal daylight changes. To wrap up the lesson, students will take a short quiz to check their understanding. It's a great opportunity to celebrate what they've discovered so far!

Science Quiz Unit 5 Lesson 3 Tuesday, April 15<sup>th</sup>, 2025

Math Quiz Chapter 8 Lesson 3 and Lesson 6 Wednesday, April 16<sup>th</sup>, 2025

Spelling Test Monday, April 21<sup>st</sup>, 2025

### **English Language Arts**

**Reading Selection:** The World of Waste by Marybeth Lorbiecki **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

**Spelling:** <u>mislead, disappear, reuse, reduce, remixed, return, recycle, rethinking, non-profit, non-toxic, non-renewable, renewable, refillable, reusable, recyclable, biodegradable, durable, dangerous, poisonous, careful</u>

**Reading Strategy:** Synthesize **Genre:** Persuasive Article

#### Math

Book/Chapter/Unit/Topic Chapter 9 Add and Subtract Fractions Lessons 5, 7 and 9

Key Vocabulary: unlike fractions, least common denominator LCD, difference, estimate, fraction, sum

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

#### Science

Book/Chapter/Unit: Unit 5 Lesson 3 Review

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## Homework

\* Homework is due on Thursday each week.

ELA IXL Skills	C1 and G2	
Math IXL Skills	J2 and J3	
Science IXL Skills	Y2, Y3 and Y6	

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