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## Grade 5 Newsletter

Week 16: January 2-5, 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 Chapter 5 students will learn how to add and subtract using concrete models or drawings and strategies. 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, subtracting decimals. Students will focus on place value understanding to allow them to determine whether answers are reasonable.
- 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.
  - Mandatory MAP testing- will start on January 8<sup>th</sup> 2023. The scores will be counted as a marked grade. Please use this website to practice. Students should choose Grade 4 not Grade 5.
     https://prepdog.org/

### **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 1, 2 and 6

**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 My Math Student Book	Page 347, 339, 340
Science IXL Skills	P1



# STAR STUDENTS OF THE WEEK



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